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BROKAW'S BUTLER TELLS NEW STORY

Declares Mrs. Brokaw Drank Cocktails and Smoked Cigarettes.

DEFENDENT HAS HIS INNING

New Feature of the Sensational Divorce Trial—Justice Testifies That Brokaw Was Kind Husband—Mrs. Brokaw Amazed.

New York, Dec. 20.—Cocktails and cigarettes which have figured so prominently in the suit for separation with alimony of \$60,000 a year brought by Mrs. Mary Blair Brokaw against her husband, W. Gould Brokaw, again assumed importance today in the trial at Mineola, L. I.

Sidney Woods, the Brokaw butler, testified for the defense today that he had served cocktails to Mrs. Brokaw in a tea cup, in tumblers, in a shaker, when she was up and dressed and when she was in bed. He was positive that he had seen Mrs. Brokaw puffing cigarettes and he swore that he had served her with them in her room.

Mrs. Brokaw Amazed.
During her Butler's testimony Mrs. Brokaw, who, in her own testimony would only own to an experience of four cocktails and an occasional cigarette, sat open mouthed.

"I carried a cocktail to Mrs. Brokaw in the sun parlor," continued the butler, "and she mentioned to me that she had discharged her nurse, Miss See. I told her that Miss See had asked me for liniment to apply to bruises which she said had been caused by kicks and lashings from a whip."

"Was the name of the person mentioned?" asked counsel, "who applied the whip, or did the kicking?"

"Mrs. Brokaw knew who did it," replied the butler.

"Was anything said to indicate that she had knowledge of the cuts on Miss See's limbs?"

"Mrs. Brokaw was very cross and nobody asked her."

A Kind Husband.
Justice Henry H. Gladders, a friend of Mr. Brokaw, testified that he had spent some time at High Point, N. C., the Brokaw's winter country place and had always found the husband kind and affectionate toward his wife.

Mrs. Brokaw's constantly reiterated tales of trouble so annoyed Mrs. H. B. Gilbert, Mrs. Brokaw's sister, that Mr. Gilbert forbade her coming to their home. Mrs. Gilbert testified today. These troubles, in their inception, at least, were largely imaginary, Mr. Gilbert thought.

So far as actual barring of Mrs. Brokaw from his home was concerned, Mr. Gilbert said on cross-examination, he could not recall an instance when she was refused admission to his house.

"Mr. Brokaw was excited," very excited, that night, Mr. Gilbert remembered. "Mr. Brokaw might have been drinking and certainly was very much fatigued, the witness said. He thought that Mr. Brokaw might be laboring under a trivium."

Attorney Baldwin wanted to know if Mr. Brokaw had not made Mr. Gilbert and his wife the medium through which to obtain information about Mrs. Brokaw. Mr. Brokaw was "a highly solicitous man," Mr. Gilbert admitted, and the witness would not state positively that Mr. Brokaw had never wired the witness to find if Mrs. Brokaw had gone "to town."

SUPREME COURT'S RECESS.

Adjourned Until the 3rd of January—Lorton's Nomination Confirmed. Washington, Dec. 20.—After announcing a number of decisions and hearing the usual Monday quota of motions, the Supreme Court of the United States today took a recess for two weeks.

It is expected that when the court reconvenes on the 3rd of January one of the seats now vacant will be occupied by Judge Lorton, who today was confirmed by the Senate as the successor of Justice Peckham. Even then the bench will not be full, as Justice Moody will be absent on account of illness.

Mr. Moody has not been able to be in the court room since the beginning of the present term and he is not expected there until later in the season. Justice Moody has been suffering from an aggravated attack of rheumatism.

Immediately after reconvening, the court will take up the tobacco trust case and it is expected that the Standard Oil case will be reached early in the spring. A full bench is always considered most desirable in cases of so much importance because of the possibility of an evenly divided court in the absence of one member.

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SENATE CONFIRMS LURTON

Congressman Depew Makes Speech Laden With Good Cheer For Christmas—Appropriations Bill Passed—Adjourned.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Both the Senate and the House were in session today but both had concluded their arduous labors by 2 o'clock. Tomorrow an adjournment for two weeks will be taken to enable the members to properly observe the Christmas holidays.

Aside from the confirmation of the nomination of Horace H. Lorton, of Tennessee, to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, the principal feature of the Senate proceedings was a speech laden with optimism and good cheer for the Christmas season by Senator Depew. The address of the New Yorker was called forth by what he characterized as the pessimistic predictions in Senator La Follette's magazine and in many newspapers and other periodicals relating to the effect of the present tariff law upon the prices of necessities of life as well as in relation to dangers to the people because of a pending exhaustion of National resources.

A large number of bills were introduced by Senators and at 1:28 o'clock P. M. the Senate adjourned until tomorrow.

For the first time since the Fitzgerald rules providing for a "unanimous consent" calendar was adopted, that rule was invoked today in the House and one joint resolution making available a small appropriation for the improvement of the Tennessee river and a bill of local interest were passed.

Representative Mondell, of Wyoming, spoke at some length against the proposition giving the Federal government control of dams and water power rights in the different States, defended Secretary Ballinger in that connection and vigorously assailed the action "of certain government bureaus in attempt to usurp rights belonging to the people."

The District of Columbia appropriation bill carrying about \$10,275,000 was passed without opposition.

Representative Hardy, of Texas, denounced the publication of stories regarding members of Congress with corruption in connection with proposed ship subsidy legislation, after which, at 2:40 P. M., the House adjourned until tomorrow.

MURDERER SHOTS SELF.

Negro Surrounded by Mob in Alabama Takes His Own Life.

Abbeville, Ala., Dec. 20.—The most thrilling man hunt which ever occurred in Henry county, terminating yesterday afternoon when Boy O'Naro, the young negro desperado killed himself when surrounded by a posse.

Since Tuesday last, when the negro gave himself up to the posse, the chase has been continued. Bloodhounds pursued him so closely that he shot one of the dogs.

One mile south of here, at the entrance to Choctawhatchee swamp a cordon of a hundred men surrounded him. Wounded, barefooted and tired, he saw that escape was impossible. Rather than fall into the hands of his pursuers he placed the barrel of a shot gun to his breast and pushed the trigger with his toe. The body was tied to a buggy and dragged to Abbeville and placed in the court house where it lay for several hours.

KILLING IN NASH.

One Negro Shoots Another Over Crap Game Saturday Night.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Rocky Mount, N. C., Dec. 20.—Following a "crap game" in which there was some evident feeling, Alonzo Cooper produced a pistol and fired one shot into the head of Tom Williams, giving him a wound from which he died in about 15 minutes. All the parties concerned were colored and the killing occurred at the Jeffries Ricks Clay Works, about two miles from this city, on Saturday night about 1 o'clock. The negro who fired the shot made good his escape and has thus far evaded arrest. The dead negro was employed at the clay works while the negro who did the shooting was a tenant on a farm nearby.

WILMINGTON OR SOUTHPORT.

President John A. Mills, of Raleigh & Southport, Building This Way.

Fayetteville, N. C., Dec. 20.—President John A. Mills, of Raleigh & Southport, railroad, was in the city today and is quoted by the Fayetteville observer this afternoon as saying that his company proposes to extend its railroad from Fayetteville to Elizabethtown, Bladen county, at once and that in the near future the line will be extended either to Wilmington or Southport, he has not yet decided to which point.

SUPERVISORS' CONFERENCE.

Census Appointees of Five States Meet in Washington.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 20.—Census supervisors of Georgia, Alabama, Florida, South Carolina and Tennessee met in conference here today with E. Dana Durand, director of census, and William C. Hunt, statistician of population. Between 35 and 40 supervisors attended. Details of the work of gathering the census were discussed.

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PARDON GRANTED TO FORSYTH MAN

Had Served Six of Eight Years Sentence in Penitentiary.

AFFAIRS AT STATE CAPITAL

Sentence of Asheville Man Commuted. Great Laymen's Meeting—Governor Has a Fall—Farm Demonstration War—Notes.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 20.—After serving nearly six years of an eight-years sentence in the penitentiary for causing the death of a close friend with whom he quarreled while both were in the Raleigh penitentiary, R. A. Robinson, of Forsyth county, received a pardon from Governor Kitchen today conditioned on sobriety and good behavior.

The two men had been drinking together, quarreled and during the quarrel Robinson cut his friend. Later they rode in a buggy together to a fork in the road nearest the home of the injured man, who insisted that he could walk home. Later blood poison set in and death resulted. The pardon was asked for by a large number of citizens familiar with the circumstances.

A commutation was also granted today for Charles Miller, serving eight months in Buncombe county for selling whiskey in Asheville. He was a clerk for another man, who left the county. Then Miller was sentenced to eight months and, later the proprietor was convicted before a different jury and sentenced to 30 days in jail and \$500 fine. Miller was out some time under appeal bond. There were protests against clemency for the reason that he had been convicted in the police court while his appeal was pending.

However the Governor declares that he does not think that the sentence of the police court should be greater than that of the employer. Therefore, he changes the sentence to 30 days in jail and \$200 fine.

An enthusiastic inter-denominational meeting of laymen of Raleigh was held Sunday afternoon in the First Presbyterian church to set on foot effort that will assure the largest possible attendance of Raleigh men on the great State laymen's conference in January at Greensboro. There were addresses on the movement and its significance by A. C. Hines, Greensboro; N. L. Eare, Greensboro and Colonel B. C. Massey, Richmond. And following the addresses a resolution was adopted by J. R. Young was adopted endorsing the co-operative feature of the Laymen's Movement, providing a co-operative city committee representing the various churches, calling on city pastors to appoint one or more lay members for the city committee, who shall work for a representation of the city on the Greensboro meeting. There was also recommendation that each of the churches in this city and section appoint a permanent missionary committee, whose first duty shall be to secure the fullest possible attendance of proper delegates for the North Carolina convention in Greensboro. The resolution also expressed appreciation for the spirit and efforts of the Greensboro laymen and pledged sympathy and support.

Great interest is being manifested in a great number of counties in the movement of the State Department to have a neighborhood demonstration farm work carried on under the direction of experts from the department. The plan is for the commissioners of the county to find land on some convenient located farm that they can induce the owner to set aside for this demonstration purpose, furnishing the labor under agreement with the commissioners. Then the department experts to visit each farm at intervals and give detailed instructions as to the methods of cultivation, farmers of the section gathering there from time to time to make a study of the methods of cultivation applied. Several of the counties have arranged for these demonstration farms in as many as a half dozen different sections of their counties.

A charter is issued for the C. R. Goulen Electric Company, Charlotte, capital \$25,000 for general electrical contracting business by C. R. Goulen, J. R. Winchester and T. A. Adams.

Governor Kitchen has about recovered from painful but not serious injuries that he sustained Sunday morning in a fall down the front steps of the mansion. His injuries made it necessary for him to send his excuses instead of presiding over the big Laymen's meeting held in the Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon as he was announced to do.

TO SEND MONEY BY CABLE.

British Postoffice Makes Arrangement With Western Union Telegraph Co.

London, Dec. 20.—The British post office department announces that it has concluded a money transfer arrangement with the Western Union Telegraph Co., through which that company will be permitted to make cable transfers of money between its offices in the United States and points in Great Britain and Ireland where the orders will be cashed through the Postal Department. The arrangement has the sanction of the British Treasury and will become operative January 1st.

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A. C. L. TO CHARLOTTE.

Chronicle Extends a Cordial Welcome to That City.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 20.—In a leading editorial this afternoon the Chronicle says:

"The bit of railroad news which The Chronicle gives elsewhere from New York, by way of a special to the Wilmington Star, will be sufficient to make Charlotte prick up its official ears and assume an attentive attitude. It is to the effect that the Atlantic Coast Line is looking for an entrance into Charlotte and proposes to come here by way of Monroe. The line from Monroe to Charlotte has been talked up, but with the attention of the Coast Line seriously drawn to it, something more than talk is likely to result. The annual freight traffic of Charlotte has grown to enormous proportions and it is for a share of this, as well as for a share of Charlotte's passenger traffic that the Coast Line is contemplating building to this city. The importance to Charlotte of a connection with the Coast Line and N. & W. systems, could be scarcely estimated. It would give this city a new outlet to the markets of the North, East, South and West, and relieve it from the burden it has so long borne of the oppression of discrimination in freight rates. We can recall no announcement of previous years of more importance to the business interests of Charlotte. The Coast Line needs no financial aid—it builds to such points as it may believe to be its advantage to build to—but some official sort of an assurance that the Coast Line's business with the Coast Line would be welcomed here, might prove an agreeable incentive to the Coast Line people."

WILL UPHOLD UMPIRES.

New President of National League Assumes Charge—Ward's Statement.

New York, Dec. 20.—Thomas J. Lynch, new president of the National League, assumed his duties this morning. All Lynch would say was that he was in favor of upholding the umpires in their decisions and that he was glad he is to have the cooperation of John Heydler.

That the election of Lynch to the presidency has entirely restored harmony in the relations between the National and American Leagues is evidenced by the statement given out tonight by John M. Ward, who was the candidate for those opposed to the reelection of John Heydler and against the attitude of P. B. Johnson, president of the American League.

Mr. Lynch as president of the National League was a happy solution of the situation. He was a capable umpire and is a high-class man. He has a mind of his own and will have something to say about the business of the National Commission. With him as a member of that body the baseball interests of the country may rest assured that their affairs will not be conducted in bar rooms and cafes."

HARDY ASSAILS PAPERS.

For Printing Charges on Corruption of Congress—Investigation.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Representative Hardy, of Texas, in addressing the House today in support of his resolution asking for the investigation of printed charges on corruption of members of Congress and in connection with ship subsidy, vigorously assailed the charges which he said had printed the charges.

He said that he had no idea that any member of Congress had been bribed in connection with the ship subsidy legislation, but he thought Congress ought not to allow itself to be "be-spattered" without investigating the subject.

The public ought to know the responsible source of these foul charges, said Mr. Hardy. "While I have no fear that any member of Congress will be belied by an investigation, I do believe that money has been expended in buying and corrupting the public press to advocate a measure under the guise of patriotic devotion to the flag."

OUTLINES.

Dr. Jos. Madriz was elected President to succeed Zelaya at a stormy session of the Nicaraguan Congress yesterday; the situation is still disquieting to the rebels and the United States will not change her attitude toward that country.

President Taft yesterday yielded to the demands of Secretary Ballinger and his associates and granted a public investigation of the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy.

The story of the Butler of Gould Brokaw, in which he swore that Mrs. Brokaw smoked cigarettes and drank cocktails, was the feature of the divorce trial yesterday.

The nomination of Judge Lorton to become Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, was confirmed yesterday by the Senate.

Ex-Senator William A. Harris, a well known Southern man and famous Confederate general, died suddenly yesterday in Chicago.

Several white men were shot while chasing negro fugitives near Magnolia, Ala., yesterday and a race riot is threatened.

New York markets: Money on call firm 4 1/2 to 5 per cent, ruling rate 4 3/4, closing bid 4 7/8, offered at 5 per cent. Spot cotton closed quiet, 10 points higher, middling upland 15.20, middling gulf 15.45. Flour firm. Wheat firm. No. 2 red 1.23 to 1.30 elevator domestic and 1.29 nominal f.o.b. afloat. Corn spot firm. No. 2, 70 1/2 elevator, domestic, 71 delivered and 69 f.o.b. afloat. Oats spot firm. Rosin steady. Turpentine quiet.

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BALLINGER MADE DEMAND OF TAFT

President Yields and Grants Investigation of Forestry Affairs.

DETAILS OF CONTROVERSY

Trouble Occurred Between Ballinger and Pinchot—Heated Discussions Among Members of Both Houses.

Washington, Dec. 20.—President Taft today yielded to the demands of both Secretary Ballinger and his critics for a public investigation of the whole subject matter underlying the so-called Ballinger-Pinchot controversy.

Mr. Ballinger this afternoon served upon the President virtually an ultimatum to the fact that such an investigation was indeed the price of his remaining in the Cabinet. He made it clear to the President that he was no longer willing to sit silent and wait for the thing to "blow over."

Mr. Taft reluctantly admitted the disappointment of his hope that the country at large would accept as final his own vindication of Mr. Ballinger brought before him against the Secretary of the Interior by L. R. Glavis, the former special agent of the land office, and his conclusion that the investigation demanded by both sides in this matter was inevitable.

Mr. Ballinger's attitude in this matter has the support of leading Republicans in both branches of Congress—Senators and Representatives who feel that, entirely apart from the merits of the controversy itself, a festering sore of this character must poison the whole system of the party in power, and that it is high time to resort to the lancet. These leaders, determined that a cleansing of this wound is necessary have not hesitated to go to the White House and impress their views upon Mr. Taft.

Conferences of a confidential character, in which members of the Cabinet, party leaders in both Houses of Congress, and the President himself, have participated, have been held at various times during the past few days. They culminated today when Secretary Ballinger, Attorney General Wickersham and Postmaster General Hitchcock met in Mr. Wickersham's office, and proceeded thence to the White House where the matter was laid before the President.

Mr. Ballinger told the President, it is said, that the situation had become intolerable to him, and that though the contest against him had come from irresponsible persons, he could not long sit supinely by, and in justice to himself, he felt compelled to insist upon an investigation.

The President was given to understand that Mr. Ballinger's demand carried with it the endorsement of both Mr. Wickersham and Mr. Hitchcock. It is a known fact tonight that he has the sympathy also of the members of the Cabinet.

Notwithstanding the biting cold, sleet and rain, the search for the murderers continued all day Sunday and today. Magnolia is not on a railroad and has no telegraph office.

MILITIA ORDERED OUT.

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 20.—Governor Comer tonight ordered a company of militia at Selma to proceed to Magnolia, the scene of the reported race riot in Marengo county without delay. A report reached the governor's office that armed negroes attacked the sheriff of Marengo county at Magnolia and that five white men were wounded.

ORDER COUNTERMANNED.

Selma, Ala., Dec. 21.—At 1 o'clock tonight Governor Comer countermanded the order for the local company of State troops to proceed to Magnolia. The troops were ready to depart on a special train when the Governor's countermand order was received. No further trouble is feared at Magnolia.

THAW'S PETITION DENIED.

Supreme Court Did Not Grant Writ of Error to Court of Appeals.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Justice McKenna, of the Supreme Court of the United States, today denied a petition to Harry K. Thaw for a writ of error to the Court of Appeals of New York in the case in which Thaw made an effort to obtain release from the Matteawan Asylum.

In that case a petition for a writ of habeas corpus was denied and the effect of Justice McKenna's decision will be to leave the decision of the Court of Appeals undisturbed.

TWO-MILE TRESTLE COMPLETED.

Last Piling in Structure Across Albemarle Sound.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 20.—The Corporation Commission is notified by Supt. Lamb of the Norfolk & Southern, that the last pile has been driven for the big two-mile trestle across Albemarle Sound, making the final rail link of the main line between Washington and Edenton. It is expected trains will be running regularly over this trestle by January 10th, giving through trains without change of cars between Raleigh and Norfolk.

New Christmas footwear just received at Rehder's, Fourth Street Bridge.

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RACE RIOT WAS THREATENED

Serious Trouble at Magnolia, Ala., Following Murder of Last Saturday.

White Men Shot by Negroes.

Troops.

Magnolia, Ala., Dec. 20.—Magnolia is quiet at 9 o'clock tonight following a day of intense excitement with much bitter feeling manifested between the whites and blacks in this community.

Ernest Slade and four white men were shot by Clinton Montgomery, Slade is fatally injured, and his death, expected at any minute, may serve to further fan the flame of race hatred.

Clinton Montgomery's charred body lies in the ruins of a small negro house near the town, the work of a posse of citizens this afternoon. Brister and Shelley Montgomery, brothers of the burned negro, barely escaped lynching early this morning when the sheriff of Marengo county captured them and eluded the man hunters taking them to the county jail at Linden.

This afternoon Clint Montgomery and several other negroes were found barricaded in a house which was soon surrounded by a determined body of whites. Fearing for their lives, Montgomery's companions deserted him and surrendered to the posse. Montgomery fastened the door, after detrying the men to attempt to get him. One of his negro companions was then forced to retire to the house, and when the building was enveloped in smoke, Montgomery threw open a window and opened fire with telling effect upon the posse with a magazine shot gun. Ernest Slade fell mortally wounded, his face and body filled with shot. N. C. Carlton, Tom Shields and William Lindsey were also wounded though not seriously.

A fusillade of shots struck Montgomery as he was attempting to leave the house, his body being riddled and then allowed to be consumed in the burning building.

A report late tonight is to the effect that Brister and Shelly Montgomery were placed in the Linden jail this afternoon. Albert Watkins another negro suspected of harboring Montgomery brothers, is under arrest here.

Selma, Ala., Dec. 20.—A race riot is threatened at Magnolia, in Marengo county, as a result of the murder of Algrenon Lewis, a young white man, Saturday night by four negro brothers named Montgomery. The negroes have not been captured, but the feeling toward the whites and the blacks of that community already has resulted in several serious clashes. Troops have been asked for.

The latest reports received from Magnolia late today were to the effect that a fight between the whites and blacks was then in progress and that several persons had been wounded. N. C. Carter was reported seriously wounded.

Mrs. Lewis was waylaid by the Montgomery negroes, it is charged late Saturday night while he was on his way home. After shooting him to death, his body was left in the public road. A short time thereafter the foul murder was discovered and a posse was soon in pursuit of the negroes.

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MADRIZ ELECTED IN NICARAGUA

Successor to Zelaya Named at Stormy Session of Congress.

BECOMES PRESIDENT TODAY

Selection of Zelaya's Candidate in Disfavor With Rebels—Probable There Will Be More Fighting—Outcome Awaited.

Managua, Dec. 20.—Dr. Jose Madriz, former judge of the Central American Court of Justice at Cartago and Zelaya's candidate, was today elected President of Nicaragua by the unanimous vote of Congress. The session was a stormy one, but there seemed to be perfect unanimity with regard to the election of Madriz, and when official announcement was made there were vociferous cheering and cries of "Viva Madriz! Viva Leon!" "Down with monopolies!" "Down with tyranny!" "Long live the constitution!"

Dr. Madriz will assume the presidency at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. He was escorted to the balcony of his hotel, where he greeted great crowds that had gathered around the building and made a brief speech urging harmony and co-operation. He pledged that he would uphold the rights of citizens, granting free elections and establishing a policy of equal opportunities for all.

At the afternoon session Congress accepted the resignation of Dr. Madriz as judge of the Central American court and Panayra Prado was appointed to succeed him. The committee which has had the resignation of Zelaya in hand then recommended its acceptance and the formulating of an address of thanks to Zelaya for his services to Nicaragua. Following the adoption of this report the election of the new president was proceeded with, the nomination of Dr. Madriz being defeated with much enthusiasm.

The strength of his following in the House was attested by the fact that on the call for a standing vote every member rose to his feet in the affirmative.

The election of Dr. Madriz as chief executive has been expected for influential delegates strongly in his favor have been pouring into Managua from Leon, the stronghold of the Liberals, Chinandega and Granada and they came with the avowed purpose of carrying the candidacy of their man to victory.

Zelaya Still Strong.

Zelaya still exercises a strong power here, while it has been brought to his notice that Madriz is not looked upon with favor by the government of the United States he still urged Madriz to the

can be held, diplomatic relations cannot be resumed.

Estrada's Message.

"Peace in this country can only be assured by the complete exclusion of Zelaya and his followers. We will continue fighting until this is secured. In the name of liberty and justice on our side, we ask you to recognize my government."

This is the determination of General Estrada at the head of the revolutionary army in Nicaragua as expressed in a telegram dated Blue fields received from him by the Secretary of State. In the same telegram Estrada says that no change in the person of Zelaya's chief executive selected by him or by the Congress he controls will be accepted by the majority of the Nicaraguan people allied to the revolutionist cause in the struggle for justice.

This telegram contains the first authoritative statement that the revolutionary party will not accept as President of Nicaragua anyone who has any affiliation with Zelaya. The selection of either Madriz or Irujo for this post therefore means a continuance of the revolution with all the energy and effectiveness at the command of the Estrada party.

Late telegrams received at the State Department from Nicaragua are to the effect that the National Assembly of Nicaragua has been instructed by Zelaya to elect Madriz as President and Irujo to the chief command of the army. This, everywhere in Nicaragua is regarded as a move to continue Zelaya as the dominant figure in the state.

An official dispatch from Managua shows that considerable hostility is being displayed against the American consulate there by Zelaya's followers. Petty annoyances, such as abusive language and daily threats are of constant occurrence, but no actual violence up to this time has been attempted.

Bring Zelaya to Justice.
The abhorrent conditions under the despotic administration of Zelaya in Nicaragua have shamed the moral sense and been a disgrace to civilization," declares Representative Adair, of Indiana, in a joint resolution introduced today, directing the United States to recognize Estrada as president of the Republic of Nicaragua.

"It is the duty of the United States," runs the resolution, "and the United States does hereby demand the arrest, trial and punishment of Zelaya by an impartial tribunal in Nicaragua for the willful murder of citizens of the United States, an ample apology from Nicaragua and such damages and reparation in the premises as may be just."

Fighting in Nicaragua.
Washington, Dec. 20.—Dr. Castillo, representative of the Estrada government, here tonight, received this message from Diaz, Secretary of State of the provisional government:

"The battle has begun and we have taken the offensive. I will advise you of the result." (Signed) Diaz.

Another cablegram to Dr. Castillo from the same source carried the qualified statement that the revolutionary party would under no circumstances countenance the election of Dr. Madriz or any other candidate proposed by Zelaya. That the election of Madriz today has not effected even a trace was evidenced by the first cablegram.

Rama, Dec. 20.—General Estrada in command of the revolutionary forces, began his forward movement against the Zelayan troops all along the line this morning. The battle will be in the bush and is expected to last at least three days. Estrada's soldiers were in high spirits and they cheered as they left on lighters towed by tugs.

General Luis Mons is advancing in an endeavor to outflank General Gonzales, who now commands the Zelayans. General Fernos Diaz, Alfredo Diaz, Chamorran Matuty have all entered the bush. The first movement of troops began last night and the last detachment got away at 9 o'clock this morning.

General Gonzales has his forces scattered in a long line for eight miles between Recreo and Mico Junction. General Estrada expects by surrounding and harassing them with small detachments to compel the Zelayans to leave the trenches. His plan of battles does not include an assault, as he expects to shut off the food supply and by sharpshooting and bombarding to make the enemy's trenches exceedingly unsafe.

The operations of Estrada today and tomorrow are expected to drive the scattered bodies of Nicaraguan troops together, when they can be more easily attacked.

SERIOUS FIRE IN LONDON.

Three Lives Lost and Two and a Half Million in Property.

London, Dec. 20.—A disastrous fire, involving the loss of three lives, and the destruction of the big drapery store of Arding & Hobbs, at Clapham, a Southwestern quarter of London, occurred today. The fire was due, it is believed, to the breaking of an electric bulb which started a blaze among celluloid articles beneath. It occurred when the store, covering an acre of ground, was crowded with customers.

But little more than an hour the building was a mass of ruins. The damage is estimated in the vicinity of \$2,500,000. All the customers made their way out of the store in safety. The 300 employees followed them. The progress of the flames, which was assisted by the Christmas decorations and festoons, was so rapid that some of the employees were caught in the upper floors.

One of the girls descended the fire escape in safety, while the second fell and was killed. The two men then jumped and also were killed. Many persons were assisted from the windows by the firemen and several of the employees were seriously injured, a few possibly fatally. Some of the employees are unaccounted for.

Judge Horace H. Lurton was yesterday confirmed by the United States Senate as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court. No opposition appeared.

Cake Mills, a negro, who shot and fatally wounded City Marshal Williams of Rosebud, Texas, yesterday, was taken from jail by a mob last night and lynched.

Do you need a little lace? Get it at The Little Store. A full line of Christmas goods also at the same place.

See Rehder's for dolls and toys

EX-SENATOR HARRIS DEAD.

Well Known Southerner Died Suddenly in Chicago Yesterday.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—William Alexander Harris, U. S. Senator from Kansas from 1897 to 1903, died suddenly today of heart disease at the home of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Lydia M. Mackey.

Senator Harris had been in Chicago for a month, having come to attend the International Live Stock Exposition. He was apparently in good condition when suddenly stricken. He sank to the floor at his sister-in-law's home and died within a few minutes.

Senator Harris was born in Loudoun county, Virginia, October 29th, 1841. He was graduated from Columbian College, Washington, in 1869 and the Virginia Military Institute in 1861. He served with honor in the Confederate army for three years as assistant adjutant general and ordnance officer. In 1865 he removed to Kansas where he became engaged as a civil engineer in the construction of the Kansas division of the Union Pacific Railroad. Later he became prominent throughout the United States as a breeder of cattle.

In politics he was identified with the Populist party when at its zenith and before his election to the United States Senate he served as a populist member of Congress in 1893-95. The body will be taken tomorrow to Lawrence, Kans., where the funeral will be held on Friday.

THE BOUNDARY LINE CASE.

Between Carolina and Tennessee in the Supreme Court.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The State of North Carolina and Tennessee are at variance as to the manner of determining the boundary line between them, the case concerning which is before the Supreme Court of the United States. The Attorney General of North Carolina would have commissioners appointed to survey the line and take testimony whereas the Attorney General of Tennessee thinks the appointment of commissioners should follow the taking of testimony.

A motion to carry the Carolina idea into effect was presented to the court today and was opposed in the interest of Tennessee. The court has the matter under advisement.

BALL PLAYERS DISAGREE.

Manager of American Team Arrested in Havana—Game Cancelled.

Havana, Dec. 20.—A baseball game was scheduled for today between the Americans and Allmendares teams. A great crowd went to the grounds, but the American team failed to appear.

Instead they went aboard the steamer for Key West, alleging unfair treatment by Manager McAllister.

Hoffman, one of the players, was arrested on his way to the dock charged by McAllister with violation of contract. He was arraigned before the provincial governor who immediately discharged him in default of evidence. The whole team then sailed.

New Christmas footwear just received at Rehder's, Fourth Street Bridge.

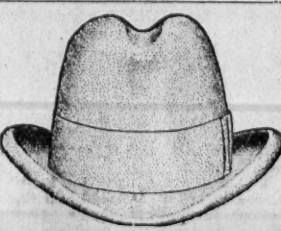
The biggest assortment of Xmas cakes in the City. Farris's Bakery



Horse Sense

A man bought "mixed" feed for his horse because it was "cheaper." The horse rejected it because it was half saw-dust. If boilers had horse sense, many would reject the mixtures daily forced upon them—rocks, slate, dirt, clinker, etc., bought because they are "cheaper." Feed the boiler, Heat Units—Atlantic Guaranteed Coal—the boiler will eat less and do more.

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Latest styles and lowest prices.
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There are many ultra stylish shoes that retail at \$3.50 and \$4.00. Such shoes are mostly a matter of looks. There are some "brogans" at the same figure that apparently would never wear out. Such shoes are scarcely genteel.

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AUCTION SALE
Of Sloan Block at Wallace, N. C., on December 23, 1909.

The Columbia Realty and Auction Company, of Greensboro will sell this magnificent three-story brick building at auction

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23rd AT 2 P.M.

This large building has a front of white pressed brick, contains three stories on first floor. Second floor occupied as a hotel and has seventeen bedrooms, three bath rooms, linen room and hotel office, parlor, dining room, kitchen, pantry and four office rooms. The building contains a splendid opera house 40x60 feet. This is the largest and best arranged building between Goldsboro and Wilmington. This property will be sold for one-third cash and balance in note and ten percent per cent interest on deferred payments from date of 2 per cent discount will be allowed on deferred payments for all cash. Those stores will be sold separately, the hotel and opera house separately, then all will be sold as one which ever way that brings the most money.

This is a chance for a safe investment. Be on hand early and examine the block for yourself.

A Brass Band will furnish music for the great auction sale.

THE SIZE OF THE STORES:

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Grocery Store, 19x35 Feet, 33 Feet Back.

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The Opera House is 40x60 feet and doors near the entrance and no danger. All of this valuable property is in the exact line depot and on the West side of the railroad. The building was designed by a leading architect and was personally supervised while being constructed by competent men who were not under any contract. Hence, it was well built, of the best material and with care.

We extend a cordial invitation to you to be present on the day of sale. Come and bring your neighbors. A large crowd will be on hand and witness this live sale.

WALLACE AND ITS FUTURE.

This progressive Duplin County town is located on the Wilmington and Weldon railroad, 30 miles North of Wilmington and in one of the best farming sections of the State. It has grown rapidly during the last few years and recently a large number of lots were sold at good prices thus showing the confidence of the people in the future growth of the town. All kinds of crops are grown here and it is the third largest trucking point in the State. It is needless to remind the reader that Wallace has a large back country and gets its trade from Duplin, Pender, Sampson and Onslow counties. The State has established a test farm near there which is proving that the soil cannot be surpassed for general farming and trucking.

As much as \$4,000.00 per acre has been realized there from lettuce, and strawberries grow to perfection in beauty and flavor. There are large lumber plants established there and enterprise after enterprise appears in the community adding life and business activity to the wide-awake place. The Bank of Duplin is one of the best in East Carolina and each year finds its business surpassing all expectations of its friends. Handsome brick stores and two brick hotels and beautiful houses adorn the pretty streets. The town is well drained and the general health of the town will compare with any section.

There are two handsome brick churches, Presbyterian and Baptist, and the Methodist Church is a credit to the town. Though old in years, Wallace is just at the beginning of its life in a business way. The home seekers from any section would be delighted with the surroundings and satisfied with the healthful climate and social advantages. The citizens of Wallace are loyal, and in every way they will measure up to the highest standard. They welcome all new comers, and the strangers are always impressed with the frankness and cordial greetings they receive. The High School is one of the best in the County, and splendid educational advantages are offered to every boy and girl.

Investments in real estate are safe at Wallace, and with lots increasing in value with each passing year is the best testimony that the people here offer to business men anywhere. The sale of the valuable brick block there on December 23rd, should bring out a throng of business men, interested in investments of this kind. Your attention is called to the description of this property above and your presence on that day is desired.

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Bird Scissors.
Manicure Scissors.
Canary Cages.
Parrot Cages.
Fireless Cookers.

Heating Stoves.
Imported figured Enamel Cereal and Dinner Sets—High class ware, 30c set.
Figured Mugs, 15c.
Boys' Axes.
Hamilton Rifles, \$1.50.
Shot Guns.
Razors—Gillette Safety in triple silver plated cases, \$5.00.
Boker Razors—In Morocco cases, \$2.50 to \$5.00 pair.
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THE STATE IN EPITOME

News, Comment and Incidents as Reflected in North Carolina.

Troublesome Things—Judgments.
High Point Enterprise. About 18 months ago a man here got judgment against the city for \$4,000 for injuries. Judges Bynum and Strudwick were here today to take some action in the matter. It seems that the city will have this money to pay and the soon er the better.

A Straight Flush of Pigs.
Oxford Public Ledger. Mr. B. T. Fuller, coming in town last week, reported that he had just seen the finest lot of hog meat in one pen that he has seen in a number of years. Passing the home of Cephus Washington, colored, he found five big porkers averaging 300 pounds a piece. But these fine sold December days are bad ones for hogs. It is a case for the state with many a one.

Durham Stops Fireworks Ordinance.
Charlotte Observer. Durham, Dec. 19.—Mayor Griswold has suspended the ordinance against the explosion of fireworks in the city limits, and, barring the public buildings, churches, streets in the fire district and the manufacturing plants, the small boy is at liberty to fire away. The mayor acted out of the kindness of his heart toward boys, the business interests strongly opposing the move.

Negro Draws Gun on Magistrate.
Charlotte Observer. Pittsboro, Dec. 19.—David Durant, a desperate negro, who had been working in the oil mill at this place, was brought here from Monrovia Friday evening and lodged in the county jail.
He was arrested at Monrovia for getting whiskey under false pretense and was being tried before a magistrate when he drew a revolver and knife on the court. Deputy Sheriff Taylor knocked him down with the butt of his pistol and brought him to Pittsboro and lodged him in jail to await the next term of Chatham superior court.

LARGEST POWER PLANT.

Southern Power Company Develops 200,000 Horse Power.
(Charlotte Observer.)

With the completion of a few ends of its present transmission lines throughout the Piedmont section of the South, the Southern Power Company will become the largest transmission plant in the world. This is the statement of one of the engineers connected with this huge concern and will appear astonishing even to a large number of Charlotte people who have no conception of the size of this local plant. Notwithstanding the fact that much has been written of the size of the Southern Power Company and the extent of its operations, its progress and development have at once been so gradual and rapid, too, that the public has, perhaps, lost sight of its colossal nature.

The company's transmission lines at present stretch over a distance of 800 miles and extend from Greensboro on the north as far south as Greenville, S. C. Anderson, a point 40 miles below Greenville, will also soon be connected with the company's developments and other extensions are being made in other directions. The final results of the operation of the company from the sites already developed and those in process of development will aggregate 200,000 horsepower of electrical energy.

For the transmission of the power from these plants and a necessary reduction of the voltage there are 50 sub-stations now in operation. These are located in the towns and cities throughout North and South Carolina to which the company retails its power for lighting or other purposes. Substations are essential to the proper reduction of the power from the main transmission lines.

From the Great Falls development, the largest yet undertaken by the company, three main trunk lines emanate. The first of these carries power to Chester, Jonesville, Spartanburg, Wellford, Greers and Greenville, in South Carolina. The second line going north supplies Fort Law, Rock Hill, Yorkville, Clover, Ninety Nine Islands, where there is another plant, and Pineville Branch lines run off from this main line into a score or more towns in North Carolina. From this line Charlotte gets its power. The third trunk line supplies Lancaster, Monroe, Albemarle, Salisbury, Spencer, Linwood, Lexington, Thomasville, High Point, Greensboro and Winston-Salem. The power from this Great Falls plant is supplied to Greensboro on the north and to Greenville on the south, a railroad distance of 202 miles.

JUVENILE OFFENDERS.

Movement Launched in Charlotte in Interest of Young Misdoers.
(Charlotte Observer.)

Rev. Crawford Jackson preached to attentive congregations yesterday morning and last night in Charlotte, presenting the cause of the Juvenile Protective Association. He occupied the pulpit of Tryon Street Methodist church in the morning and that of the First Presbyterian church at night. Opportunity was afforded all present in the morning to make contributions to the work of rescuing boys from convict camps where they are often sent for trivial offenses in some sections. He first showed that Christ identified himself with every living being from God down to the thief upon the cross. "I was in prison," he argued from this the duty of every professed follower of Him to succor personally those who need assistance most. He told of a boy whom seven years ago, or on April 11, 1902, to be more exact, he had had released from a police court in Atlanta with the purpose to reform him if possible. The boy for four years had been frequently in the court and as frequently sentenced to associate with criminals. Now the youth is governor of the "Juvenile State" which has been organized, and does not even drink coffee or stimulating soda fountain drinks, so careful is he that no mental or physical power of his shall be impaired.

RAILWAY TRAINMEN.

Lodge No. 735, of Rocky Mount Elects Its Officers.
(Special Star Correspondence.)

Rocky Mount, N. C., Dec. 20.—At a recent meeting of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, Lodge No. 735, of this city, officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, J. B. Hendricks; vice president, W. T. Moore; treasurer, E. H. Belcher; secretary, C. L. Allsboro. The general committee appointments were E. D. Aycock, chairman; J. C. Taylor, secretary; C. C. Clough, associate secretary.

\$12.50 Silk Raincoats, \$9.98 at Redder's.

426 acres of land at Center, Ga. This is to be built up and equipped. Juvenile courts and the probation system must be brought into use. Adequate State legislation is to be worked for to secure the uplift of children who have not had a chance in life.

"I've seen children behind the bars and wearing stripes for doing things that I have done when I was a boy," declared Mr. Jackson, mentioning a number of minor misdemeanors. "The association, however, by no means condones wrong-doing. What it does is to love and help the boy, while at the same time frowning on the wrong-doing itself. And there is no contradiction between these two functions."

Mr. Jackson stated last night that he hardly thought that the organization of a branch of the juvenile protective association would be attempted here just at this time, owing to the season, the weather and other reasons. He has been invited to return, however, and it is not improbable that the matter will be taken up in the near future.

MR. R. P. FOSTER RESIGNS.

Norfolk & Southern Official Will Return to Asheville.

Newbern, Dec. 19.—Mr. R. P. Foster, superintendent of the N. & S. railroad lines south of Albemarle sound, with office at Newbern, has tendered his resignation to General Manager E. T. Lamb, effective on December 20th, and will return to his old home in Asheville. Mr. Foster came here in 1904 when the A. & N. C. Railroad was leased to the Howland Improvement Company and later when the Norfolk & Southern got possession of the lease Mr. Foster retained his position with the new company. He has many friends in Newbern and is regarded as one of the best railroad men who has ever been in this section. Among railroad men his leaving is much regretted.

Mr. Foster leaves tomorrow for Asheville, his old home. The position will be filled after January 1st by V. Walker, at present train master. It is rumored that J. C. Lewis, chief dispatcher, will be train master and E. H. Hardison will be chief dispatcher. Mr. Foster is regarded the best railroad man in this section and his resignation is regretted among interested here. He recently bought an interest in the Biltmore Box Co., and will have full charge.

News reached here this evening that J. H. Pipkin, of Reelsboro, Pamlico county, was found dead in his field yesterday. Mr. Pipkin was a prominent citizen, an extensive number dealer, and prosperous farmer and was worth between \$50,000 and \$75,000. He leaves a wife and seven children. The funeral was held today. He had been duck hunting and is supposed to have died on his way home from heart failure. The body was found by a searching party.

SECRET LODGE OF FARMERS.

Meeting in Durham With Admission by Password Only.
(Durham Sun.)

A crowd of Durham county farmers met in the court house today at noon and besides perfecting the organization transacted all of their business behind closed doors.

The nature of this meeting today is not known except by the members. It is entirely a secret affair and admission was by password only. It is a known fact of secret lodges having passwords, but it is a new thing for the farmers to adopt such methods of secrecy. Information was received on the outside that the matter of the ten per cent reduction was discussed considerably. As the merchants discussed their part of the matter in secret, then it is supposed that it was the farmers' reason for doing the same. In regard to the ten per cent reduction on all goods purchased from the merchants, the farmers have never brought the matter before the Merchants' Association and have never asked them to take any action. The information came to the merchants through some other source.

At any rate what was done today, in regard to the reduction matter will soon leak out in some fashion, but it may be said now there is nothing to it.

DURHAM HAS A FIRE.

Blaze in Block Owned by Reuben Barbee With Damages.

Durham, Dec. 19.—Fire breaking out this morning at 2:15 in the Reuben Barbee building destroyed the stock in the Emporium store and inflicted a damage of a thousand or two upon the building. The blaze was detected by Sergeant Pendergast from the rear and was in the second story. The firemen answered the alarm at fearsome speed and the water worked splendidly. But all of these could not down the blaze until it had eaten out the inside of the store. The stock of the Hebrews, Bane and Tonkel, is utterly worthless. The damage is all told about \$8,000, well covered with insurance. The loss to the men running the business isn't so great after all, when it is understood that they meant eventually to put on a closing out sale and dispose of their goods. All adjoining stores were saved with little damage done to them.

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Clark's Tye Whisky	3.85	7.00	4.00	11.00
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75 Sacks Cocoanuts.

60 Boxes Mixed Nuts.

50 Boxes Stick Candy.

25 Pails Mixed Candy.

25 Pails Crescent Creams.

20 Cases Fancy Candy.

75 Small Cheeses.

60 Small Tubs Butter.

75 Half Barrels Mott's Cider.

100 Barrels Medium Sized Mulletts.

2,000 Sacks Rice, all grades.

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I trust that I may serve you and your friends during 1910.

DR. JAS. W. POWELL

Dentist.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect Thursday, September 30th 1909.

TO BEACH.
WEEK DAYS—Leave Front and Princess streets at 6:50, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:30, 5:00 and 8:30 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Front and Princess streets at 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:30, 3:00, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 6:30, 6:10, 7:10 and 8:30 P. M.

TO WILMINGTON.
WEEK DAYS—Leave Lumina at 7:45, 9:15, 10:45 A. M., 12:15, 1:45, 3:45, 5:15, 7:50 and 9:15 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Lumina at 9:45, 10:45 A. M., 12:15, 1:45, 3:15, 3:45, 4:15, 4:45, 5:15, 5:45, 6:25, 6:50, 7:40 and 9:15 P. M.

TO WRIGHTSVILLE.
WEEK DAYS—Leave Front and Princess streets at 6:50, 8:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:30, 3:00, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:10, 7:10, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:00 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Front and Princess streets at 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:30, 3:00, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:10, 7:10, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:00 P. M.

TO WILMINGTON.
WEEK DAYS—Leave Wrightsville at 6:20, 7:55, 8:25, 9:25, 10:55 A. M., 12:25, 1:55, 3:55, 5:25, 6:35, 8:00, 9:25, 10:25 and 11:25 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Wrightsville at 9:55, 10:55 A. M., 12:25, 1:55, 3:25, 3:55, 4:25, 4:55, 5:25, 6:55, 7:00, 8:00, 9:25, 10:25 and 11:25 P. M.

CAROLINA PLACE, FRONT AND PRINCESS TO CAROLINA PLACE.
WEEK DAYS—Leave Front and Princess 6:52 A. M. and every 15 minutes thereafter until 10:37 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Front and Princess 8:22 A. M. and every 15 minutes thereafter until 10:37 P. M.

TO FRONT AND PRINCESS.
WEEK DAYS—Leave 17th and Market 6:45 A. M. and every 15 minutes thereafter until 10:45 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave 17th and Market 8:30 A. M. and every 15 minutes thereafter until 10:45 P. M.

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Air Line Railway SCHEDULE

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No. 38—3:20 P. M.—For Hamlet, connecting with through trains for Atlanta, Charlotte, Birmingham, Jacksonville, Norfolk, New York and trains in all directions.

Trains Arrive at Wilmington
No. 40—1:15 P. M.—From Hamlet.
No. 41—12:20 A. M.—From Charlotte and Hamlet.

No. 45 connects at Hamlet with No. 66 for all points North at Monroe with No. 53 for Atlanta.

No. 38 connects at Hamlet with No. 41 for Atlanta, Birmingham, Memphis and Charlotte, with No. 54 and No. 62 for Washington and New York and Portsmouth, Norfolk and No. 43 for Columbia, Savannah and Jacksonville.

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STATEMENT OF CONDITION

The Murchison National Bank

of Wilmington, N. C.

at the close of business, November 16, 1909.

RESOURCES.
Loans and Discounts \$4,071,642.48
U. S. Bonds (at par) 651,000.00
Bank Building 25,000.00
N. C. State and other Bonds 170,420.50
Cash and Due by Banks 1,408,349.42
\$6,226,412.40

LIABILITIES.
Capital Stock 550,000.00
Surplus and Profit 321,423.93
Circulation 550,000.00
U. S. Bond Account 100,000.00
Deposits 4,074,988.47
\$6,226,412.40

DEPOSITS.
November 16th, 1907 \$2,125,502.71
November 16th, 1908 \$3,075,047.52
November 16th, 1909 \$4,074,988.47

H. C. McQUEEN, President.
J. V. GRAINGER, Vice President.
J. W. YATES, Vice President.
C. S. GRAINGER, Cashier.

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Atlantic Coast Lin

Correct to November 14, 1909.

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NORTHBOUND.

No. 48.	No. 42.
Daily.	Daily.
Lv. Wilmington ... 8:45 am	7:00 pm
Ar. Goldsboro ... 12:00 pm	9:55 pm
Ar. Wilson ... 1:00 pm	10:55 pm
Ar. Rocky Mount ... 1:35 pm	11:30 pm
Ar. Weldon ... 4:55 pm	2:00 am
Ar. Norfolk ... 5:50 pm	3:05 am
Ar. Petersburg ... 7:05 pm	4:35 am
Ar. Richmond ... 8:00 pm	4:40 am
Ar. Washington ... 11:50 pm	8:00 am
Ar. Baltimore ... 1:15 am	9:20 am
Ar. W. Phila. ... 3:45 am	11:44 pm
Ar. New York ... 6:30 am	2:00 pm

SOUTHBOUND.

No. 41.	No. 49.
Daily.	Daily.
Lv. New York ... 3:25 pm	9:25 pm
Lv. W. Phila. ... 5:44 pm	12:19 am
Lv. Baltimore ... 8:20 pm	

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GRAND JURIES AS ROAD BUILDERS.

The greatest discouragement in the matter of the campaign for good roads is that it is impossible to get up any sort of active controversy about the question. Opinion sets always in the same direction. The press is a unit for the principle. The politicians will make a "good roads" speech at the drop of a hat. The man on the street will tell you, if you take the trouble to ask him, that the salvation of the country lies in the roads to the towns. Yet in spite of the very material progress now making here and there, the progress is not in keeping with the sentiment. The trouble is not so much with opposition—if there is any, it keeps well covered—as in inertia. And inertia and indifference will smother what antagonism and attack would only strengthen. Wherefore, to write about good roads, is something in the nature of punching a man of straw; the blows land, but they do not count.

Georgia, however, has reached a more practical point. Its people have begun to look at roads as business, instead of as a sentiment leading toward some far-distant Utopia. They have begun to deal in concrete facts; to think about present waste; to put the matter squarely on a business basis to those who are supposed to conduct the business of the counties. The grand juries have commenced to have their say, not bumptiously, but in terms of figures and common sense. In this there is encouragement and example. In the Augusta Chronicle, we find the following excerpt from a report of the grand jury of Bartow county:

"Upon investigation we find the public roads of our county in fairly good condition, but not as good as they should be, considering the money spent on them as is shown by the books of the county board of roads and revenues. By a considerable extent, we are still running in the same old rut of years ago, satisfied, as our forefathers were with a rock in one end of the sack and a pumpkin in the other. This should not be so. Let us rise to the full limit of our duty, abandon the old method and adopt new and better ones. There is a demand for good roads all over the county, and let not the banner county of the State lag behind. Therefore, we recommend that the ordinary call an election on the question of the county issuing two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) of county bonds to run thirty (30) years, the proceeds of these bonds to be used for road purposes."

Here is a clear business statement of an economic vice, together with a sound economic remedy. As in Georgia, it is true with most of the North Carolina counties that the cost of the inefficient and obsolete methods of road work is out of all proportion to the results. Time, labor, energy and money are thrown away on the doing of something that is in its nature not permanent and not effective. It is simply a payment out of principal, for what is by nature temporary, of an amount larger than the interest on the money necessary to gain a condition better in itself and permanent in its structure. This is an elemental statement of good roads argument, it is true. But it is no less novel than gratifying that a grand jury should not only see it, but give it importance.

The grand jury is one of the most perfect of vehicles for the expression of public opinion. It is drawn from the body of the citizens, is representative and respected. Its deliberations are in very great measure the utterance of the popular thought. The whole county listens with acute interest to what this body of fifteen—committee from the county at large—has to say. Too frequently such a body contents itself with returning the bills which the Solicitor suggests that it return, or, if it contain a cross-road "lawyer," or a gentleman with spectacular ideas, may lend itself to a report calculated to "raise a sensation"—generally at some particular person's special hurt. If, however, instead of formal reports, or "sensational" ones, the grand juries of the several counties were to systematically take up this matter of roads on the basis of the investment and in terms of dollars and cents, as well as sense, there would follow a practical impulse to a cause in danger of long delay in attainment for the almost sole reason that it is already sentimentally won.

REALLY TAINTED MONEY.

In State legislation, there have often been cases where a part of the fine for the commission of crime was provided to "go to the informant." To the credit of the State it may be said that these statutes have been, if anything, more dead letters than other simple laws which carried no reward for conviction of their violation. To read many laws so passed, it would seem at first blush that they would be productive of any number of criminal cases on account of the temptation afforded to the public of turning an "honest" dollar by turning spy. It is difficult, however, to recall more than one or two cases where such criminal actions have been started by citizens claiming the reward, and more difficult still to find that in the cases where this course was taken the astute informant has come off with profit. On the contrary, he has generally earned the contempt of his neighbors, without benefit to his pocket, for the courts have not looked with pleasure upon this method of obtaining evidence. A citizen—any citizen—is within his rights when he reports a violation of the law coming under his observation; but his motives will always be suspected by an honest people, when he claims a reward for what is properly a matter between his conscience and himself. No right-thinking man desires even the semblance of a Judas, even when the thing betrayed is wrong in itself; and the honor of the whole people could not be better illustrated by the fact that when the existence of a reward naturally puts a doubt upon the motive for such an act, there are very few, who will take a profit that the law itself allows and, inferentially, commends them for taking.

The news that a government employe, Parr, by name, is to receive a "mole," amounting to not less than \$700,000, of the amount refunded to the government on account of the frauds of the Sugar Trust, discloses a weakness that had not heretofore been apparent in the case. We are sure that the country at large had thought that the sugar frauds disclosures were the results of departmental activity, and that they bore no personal advantage to any man. When it appears that the basic evidence came as the result of a spy ambitious to make a fortune, the beneficial results are at once tainted and rendered less significant. Parr may be an honest employe; he may have been influenced only by a sense of duty, but in the light of his immense reward for doing no more than he ought to have done for his employer, it is inevitably suggested that, had there been no reward, there would have been no sugar frauds disclosures. On its face this would seem to be a practical endorsement of the system of reward for espionage, but the objection goes deeper than the surface result. For the system itself strikes at the very heart of that morale of the service, which should make it efficient. Men are employed by the government as by private individuals, on the supposition that they are honest, efficient and vigilant in the interest of their employment. These qualities are implied in their pay. Therefore, to put a bonus on doing that which is in the scope of the employment is to tear down, rather than to build up, the morale. The government, by such a course, enters into a sort of game with its employes: "Cheer, if you can; deceive if possible." On the other hand: "Take your choice between being dishonest yourself and catching others in dishonesty." One role is certain in profit and full of risk; the other, uncertain in return, with no risk except the question of motive. When honesty or dishonesty are put on such a plane, any one at all familiar with human nature will recognize that the stronger appeal is made to the dishonest, than to the honest man.

It is, of course, possible that the very premium upon honesty may be obtained by dishonest means; that the call to clever scoundrelism may go to the length of perjury, and of persecution of the innocent. But putting aside these considerations, if the government needs detectives, it should pay them by the month and not by the job. For the man who will sell his fellow for a price, will sell himself for a smaller one yet.

LIGHTS AND THEIR USES.

The following, from the Asheville Citizen, we reprint as showing that what other cities are working to get through private subscription, Wilmington has already in part obtained by the better route of collective municipal action:

"The Citizen believes that before the extra lights on Patton avenue and the square are again turned off, their commercial and advertising value will be more emphatically demonstrated than before, to say nothing of their decorative and advertising features. It is well to bear in mind that the wires are once taken down, there will be little likelihood of them being put up again. 'Now is the time to subscribe.'"

The value of well-lighted business streets is, however, in the impulse it gives to commercial activity. To this result the stores ought to be available to the citizens to a reasonably late hour at night. With "something doing" in business and pleasure resorts, lighted streets make business for merchants and give a life, a snap,

and spirit of progress to the town. They bring people on the thoroughfares and afford an example of civic activity most convincing to the stranger and transient. With silent stores and consequently deserted streets, the brilliancy of the illumination adds an emphasis to that sense of a "banquet hall deserted," which all feel who view the setting of activity without the human presence that alone can justify it. Not entirely, but to a degree, it might as well be said with frankness that in these respects Wilmington is not "standing by its lights," which are of themselves much better than those of the business section of any other city in the State.

For a moment we would be understood in anything here said as advocating the lengthening of the hours of those employed in the stores of the city. The detail of fair treatment of their employes is for their employers, who in this respect also set a fine example to the merchants of other cities. We merely suggest the value of lights as business getters, and the fact that such value does not yet seem to be fully appreciated. Every city needs "live" streets, at night as well as by day. It is up to the progressive business men of the city to see to it that a way is found to make the exceptional advantage of well-lighted streets not only a first-class advertisement, but a tangible commercial asset.

"RETRACTION AND APOLOGY."

It is almost overwhelming to think of the number of apologies we owe in connection with a brief editorial in Sunday's issue, entitled "An Unfortunate Citation." In a very few lines we made the following series of errors, bungles, muffs, and dummy plays, all in connection with the Hon. Leslie M. Shaw, ex-Secretary of the Treasury, when we said of him that he was on the "verge of octogenarianism;" that he was controlled by a "red-headed wife," who was formerly a "fox hunting widow;" that he was a Theosophist, and as mixed in finance as he appeared to be in religion and matrimony.

All of this is now retracted, apologized for, and corrected, in the same manner and substance as distinguished the original errors. So far from being a spook financier, or a transmutatory bird of matrimony, the Hon. Leslie M. is still a very warm financial wire, to touch whom it is to get the latest fiscal philosophy in brilliant monetary sparks; so far from being "on the verge of octogenarianism," he is hale, hearty, and sixty-one; so far from being the senile victim of Titian charms, he is happily wedded to a matronly wife, espoused in 1877; and, instead of going about dreaming of Theosophy, has many times been a high delegate to the Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Of course, when we handed all these brickbats to the Hon. Leslie, we had in mind his predecessor as Secretary of the Treasury, the Hon. Lyman Gage, who is seventy-three, and in whose cranial, once packed with the intricate details of national economies (or extravagancies) now fly around the bats, bugs, delusions, and vain red-headed imaginings which, in a moment of absentmindedness, we ascribed to the head piece of Mr. Shaw, which, again, so far as we know, is yet hard as a hickory nut and as full of financial wisdom as an egg is of meat.

If this doesn't stop that libel suit, we can only pray the mercy of the court.

CONVINCING TESTIMONY.

If one must be bored, the surest avenue to self-torture is to read the letters home of the individual who is making his epochal "tour of Europe." Smug Americanism is never so raw and ungraceful as when it finds such vehicle of expression in the weekly paper. It is the part of a newspaper to "read at" everything, however, and in even such letters there is now and then a gleam of appreciation that escapes the self-consciousness of the writer, or perhaps a fact that cannot be robbed of its value. In the Charleston "Common Sense," we find in a European "letter" this little statement of the writer's trip through Holland:

"At intervals bulb farms appeared, the fine, many-colored flowers a good advertisement for the seeds offered for sale, and a pretty sight for the eye of the tourist to rest upon as the train hurries on to The Hague."

What was at The Hague, its meaning, etc., we will leave to conjecture, as we were content to conjecture it. The point is that a condition that could so impress a tourist hurrying almost without a halt from Capital to Capital of Europe must have something of strong appeal in itself. And what is of special interest to us is that the newly launched venture of Dutch farmers on the line of the suburban railway contemplates just this kind of Dutch horticulturists, whose "bulb farms," with their "fine, many-colored flowers" caught the eye bulging with cathedrals and made impression upon the mind crammed with Baedeker statistics of this traveler in strange lands, from Charleston, S. C.

Dr. Van Eeden, himself a Dutchman as intense as he described the Dutch farmers as being intensive, drew when here a glowing picture of these gardens and bulb farms. His imagination and enthusiasm find fine vi-

sualization in this staid note of travel coming over the water in a "weekly letter."

Parr gets \$700,000. Does Loeb get nothing better than glory?

"The Arbuckles disgorge," says an exchange. To hear them tell it, yes.

We note that the News and Observer has made the clarion call for Shemwell's service of sentence, that we had expected of it.

Considering its head-line value, it is curious that no one thought before of the sensational possibilities of the "Bath Tub Murder."

After all, Leopold was regal only in life. In death there is already a plebeian lawsuit started for the blood taxes of the Kongo.

Mrs. Belmont is aiding the shirt-waist strikers. There may be more method than madness in the lady's suffragette politics.

When grand juries commence to pay attention to the condition of county roads, there will be more rock and less talk expended in their making.

Why this bullabuloo about John W. Gates' advice to the Methodists not to gamble? The gentleman has simply cashed in, his feet having become chilled.

Mr. Parr, who receives the "mole" of not less than \$700,000 for having discovered the sugar frauds, is probably the only man in the country who takes a satisfaction in the scandal.

It is a sad thing to contemplate, in connection with that find of thirty year old whiskey in Charlotte, that the man who can keep the liquor till it gets old is never the man to enjoy the delight he has created.

Shades of "Mary Ann" Butler and "Gideon" Wilson, what is this from Durham? Farmers in secret conclave! Mumbled formulas at the door! Deep, dark, dank mystery! At the merry, merry Christmas season, too. Excuse us while we shiver a shud!

Some men lie when they have to, some lie for pleasure, and some, no doubt, from a sense of duty. If Dr. Cook really lied, he is the first man we remember who undertook to bamboozle the whole world out of his own head. Greatness is relative and various.

The fight against tuberculosis will be won by a gentleman living like a mole in a laboratory, and not by sanitary sermons or Christmas purchases of stamps. Disease does not yield to money or talk. Its defeat follows only on the price paid by sacrificing brains.

As a proud boast the Richmond Times-Dispatch puts forward the following: "Virginia is probably the only State in the Union that turns out fearless, heroic men who are willing to marry Carrie Nation." Where is Mr. Carrie Nation? Is he demised? Is he divorced? The last we remember to have heard of the old gentleman he was still contemplating a smashed bottle and wondering if anything else was left in Kansas.

British Lords' Democracy.

Speaking of the action of the British House of Lords in rejecting the budget passed by the Commons, the Wilmington Star says: "The action of the English hereditary house in leaving to popular decision the question of a finance bill seriously affecting the pockets of the Lords themselves was, to our mind, an exhibition of a type of democracy which we of the United States cannot fully appreciate, never having had the opportunity of experiencing it."

Furthermore, its action in insisting that such radical changes should be submitted to the people for approval disapproves before enactment by Parliament was decidedly more democratic than was the action of the House of Commons—the supposed people's representatives—whose members were chosen at elections in which no such questions were at issue, the people being given no opportunity to express their sentiments. While the budget levies an extraordinary tax on that class of British subjects represented chiefly by members of the House of Lords and the latter, as individuals, are opposed to its passage, these circumstances do not take from their action its democratic character. The House of Lords did not put itself on record as opposed to the budget in toto, but simply declared by resolution that such radical innovations should not be made without popular endorsement. If this course were not followed, legislation such as the United States Supreme Court would unhesitatingly invalidate because confiscatory could be enacted by the simple equivalent of our House of Representatives. The British constitution is a living, changing thing, not a document; the voters alone can interpret it, so the House of Lords referred Chancellor Lloyd-George's radical budget to the voters. In the United States such a measure, having both the Senate and the President's veto power to encounter, would think itself fortunate if it got a chance to be killed by the Supreme Court. It is so radical that not for this generation at least could anything like it pass even a Populist House of Representatives. Americans who criticize the Lords' action are in the position of arguing that property rights in the United States should be at the mercy of the House of Representatives alone.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Leading question: Will Father have enough cash left to enable the family to buy him some little token



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of holiday appreciation?—Atlanta Constitution.

The Connecticut man who courted a lady for just fifty years and then quit is deserving of severest censure. We have no patience at all with men who show so plainly that their love is only a passing fancy.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

A brother of William Watson, the English poet who attacked the British Prime Minister's wife and daughter jointly as "The Woman With the Serpent's Tongue," declares that he has been subject to hallucinations for some time past and is unquestionably laboring under one in the Asquith matter. In other words, a genuine case of "confusional insanity." This is the kindest view to take of the matter, and it is probably the true one. William Watson's mind, as many people know, has not been quite right in a long time.—Charlotte Chronicle.

"Do not gamble nor speculate," advises John W. Gates. The advice is most excellent; but Gates advising against gambling is on a par with Rockefeller preaching strict honesty in business methods. The former owes his sixty millions to the very thing he urges others to shun, while the latter's hundreds of millions have been accumulated largely by the pursuit of methods not so very far removed from those against which he now preaches. More than that, while the son continues the preaching, the accumulation goes on in the same old way, with constantly accelerating rapidity.—Virginia Pilot.

Our North Carolina papers are showing great enterprise in the way of entertaining their readers as the holiday season approaches. The Wilmington Star recently issued a splendid deep waterways edition, that reflected great credit on that journal and its city. The Henderson Gold Leaf gave "Hustling Henderson" a splendid send-off in its last issue, which speaks volumes for its town. The Durham Recorder and the Wilkesboro Patriot have come out dressed in fascinating Christmas colors, and have about them all the charms of the glad season approaching. The brethren of our State press are all to be congratulated upon the excellent work they are now doing.—Durham Sun.

The agricultural resources of the country, even though the area of cultivable land has nearly reached its limit, may be easily doubled, perhaps trebled, by scientific cultivation. Proper drainage will render millions of acres highly productive on the one hand, and irrigation and dry farming will bring under profitable cultivation a good many more millions that are now barren and of little account. By skilful fertilization, crop rotation and the adoption of scientific methods of tillage, much of the apparently exhausted lands of the older States may again be made as fertile as a new Western prairie. The steady rise in the price of food shows the imperative need for more scientific and more productive farming.—Philadelphia Evening Bulletin.

We think the esteemed Manassas Democrat is quite mistaken in believing that the people of the South regard the protest of the Michigan Loyal Legion against the Lee statue "as a bitter insult." So far as we have observed, the pop-cracker explosion has been received in the South with utter indifference. We should say that there was nothing the Michigan Loyal Legion could do which would be a bitter insult to the South, since an organization must enjoy a certain importance to accomplish a result of that sort. Happily the time is past when every obscure individual, or company of them could trample on Southern feelings simply by getting into print. The South of today has little reason to be sensitive about itself, and isn't.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

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WILMINGTON MOURNS DEATH

Major C. P. Bolles Passed Away Sunday Night at Advanced Age—Long and Eventful Career Ended—Funeral.

Major Charles Patterson Bolles died at his home, 215 North Third street, Sunday night at 9 o'clock in the 87th year of his age, after an illness of about a week. Impressive funeral services, attended by a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and sympathizing friends, were held from the late residence at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Milton, rector of St. James' Episcopal church, and the interment was in Oakdale cemetery.

The pall-bearers were: Honorary Capt. Alvin Walker, Col. A. M. Wadell, Messrs. R. J. Jones, Clayton Giles, Sr., H. C. McQueen and Junius Davis, Esq.; active, Messrs. W. L. Smith, J. H. Chadbourn, W. H. Sprunt, Clarence Curtis, C. D. Maffitt, and W. H. Brown. The general high esteem in which Major Bolles was held in Wilmington was expressed in large measure by the many beautiful floral designs.

The death of Major Bolles ended a long, useful and eventful career. He was rich in the inheritance of fine traits of character and the prestige of ancestral fame. There was sorrow, genuine and deep, when it was known that he had passed away. Major Bolles became ill about a week ago and owing to his advanced age little hope was entertained for his recovery.

He was a descendant of John Bolles, the only son of Thomas Bolles, one of the wealthiest and most prominent settlers of New London, Conn. John Bolles married Sarah Edgcomb, daughter of John Edgcomb, another leading family of New London. He was a son of Abel Bolles, a graduate of Brown University, and a cousin of Commander Charles Morris, a distinguished officer of the United States Navy in the War of 1812. Major Bolles was born in Charleston, S. C., May 13th, 1823, whither his father moved from Connecticut. He received his education in Charleston College and was the oldest alumnus of that institution. Only a short time ago he was urged to be the guest of honor of the college at a celebration, but owing to his physical condition had to forego the pleasure.

Prior to the Civil War Major Bolles was in the government service and when the hostilities began he was Assistant Superintendent of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey. He gave up his lucrative position to answer the call of the South for men and his record in the struggle between the States stands out prominently in the history of this section. Several persons recalled vividly yesterday the part of Major Bolles in the Civil War. He constructed the first sand battery on Cape Fear river, at Federal Point, which was the beginning of the fortifications at Fort Fisher, the last gateway of the Confederacy. The battery was named "Battery Bolles" by the Wilmington Light Infantry, which organization occupied it. Fort Fisher, it will be recalled, was defended by Major General W. H. C. Whiting, in command, a brother-in-law of Major Bolles.

Major Bolles constructed other defenses for the State and later was appointed captain of artillery in the Provisional army of the Confederacy, serving continuously to the end of the war on ordnance and engineer duty. He was the executive officer of Major John C. Booth, commander of the Fayetteville Arsenal and Armory, and after the death of that officer Major Bolles was commandant of the ordnance plant until relieved by Lieutenant Colonel Delagniel. Major Bolles organized and commanded an armory at Tallahassee, Ala., about 25 miles east of Montgomery, and being assigned to the command of the Fayetteville Arsenal and armory battalion he held that position until the end of the struggle.

He was Major of Engineers on the staff of General Whiting and was the last surviving member of the staff of that illustrious man. At the close of the war Major Bolles did special duty for the government on the west coast of Mexico and on the coast of Central America. He served under both Admiral Phillips, who commanded the battleship Texas during the Spanish-American war, and Admiral Sigbee, who was in command of the Maine.

About the year 1877 or 1878, while Col. A. M. Wadell was in Congress, Major Bolles secured re-appointment in Washington as the head of one of the government's engineering departments, which position he filled with signal ability until about a year ago when he retired on account of his advancing years. He was most generally beloved and esteemed. He was most gracious, generous and whole-souled, loyal ever to the highest and holiest ideals of this life. He possessed a splendid memory, which was a store-house of knowledge, and despite his age his mind was clear and active. Truly, a great man has gone to his reward.

Major Bolles was twice married, his first wife being Miss Eliza Walker, daughter of Major John Walker, and great niece of Lieutenant Colonel Jack Walker, the Revolutionary patriot, on the staff of General George Washington, and sister of Mrs. W. H. C. Whiting. To this union two children were born. Mr. John W. Bolles, now of Hong Kong, China, where he holds a position with the Standard Oil Company, and Miss Hanna Patterson Bolles, of this city. His second wife was Mrs. William Weston, a native of Alabama, and she with five children, together with the two first named, survive him, they being, Dr. Chas. P. Bolles, Jr., Mrs. Andrew H. Harris, Miss Bessie Bolles, of this city, Mrs. B. R. Graham, of Wallace, and Mr. Fred D. Bolles, of New York. The tenderest sympathy of hundreds of friends in this community and elsewhere goes out to the grief-stricken ones.

Prompt Payment of Claim.

Cornelius Harnett Council No. 231 on Saturday of the past week paid to the estate of the late Mr. Marsden Bellamy the sum of \$3,000, being the amount of policy carried in that order by the deceased. Mr. Bellamy also carried insurance in the Endowment Rank, Knights of Pythias, which has also forwarded check.

The Theatre

The Crystal Palace made a start with its holiday offering yesterday in spite of the bad weather. The matinee was well attended and last night there was a "standing room only" audience at the first performance. The bill this week is said to be extra big and besides the four regular acts contains a reel of moving pictures and a popular comedy sketch team of this city, Messrs. Matthews and McCaig, and they appeared in a blackface sketch that scored a big hit. They will, no doubt, be a big drawing card this week. The singing of Miss Williams was a most delightful feature, while the toppers of the bill, Ring and Williams, furnished a rapid-fire, rousing comedy sketch that kept the audience roaring. Then in addition to all this, Miss Austin was heard in a superb illustrated song rendition and the tramp comedian, Millard, presented a laughable act. This bill will hold forth all week and every night this week, at the end of the first performance, a big turkey will be given away.

At the Bijou Today.

Two very attractive pictures will be shown at the Bijou today—"Miss Annette Kellerman" and "Adele's Washday." Of the former the film makers say among other things: "In addition to being one of the most perfectly formed women who ever trod a stage, Miss Kellerman is singularly versatile for she is a champion swimmer, a diver of exceptional ability, one of the best diabolists in the world and a physical culture expert of note. In this series of views all of her gifts are exploited to greater advantage than they possibly can be shown in the narrow confines of the stage or in the constricted quarters of her stage tank." Of the second: "This is a snappy little picture with real comedy, possessing particular appeal to women and children, though even the men are not insensible to the genuine humor of the skilful treatment of the theme."

HAD NARROW ESCAPE.

Aged Lady Struck by Street Car in Front of Market House.

Mrs. S. C. Merritt, manager of a restaurant on Front street, opposite the market house, and who is advanced in years, had a narrow escape from serious injury when she was struck by street car No. 4, Junction-bound, about 9:30 o'clock yesterday morning. The car struck her on the left leg, knocking her to the pavement and she rolled under the fender. She screamed and the motorman brought his car to a standstill as soon as possible. G. H. Williams, colored, witnessed the accident and ran to the car and assisted in getting Mrs. Merritt from under the fender. Her ankle was wrenched and her knee bruised. Dr. Joseph Akerman was summoned and rendered the necessary medical attention. Mrs. Merritt was able to remain at the restaurant during the day.

Mrs. Merritt had started across the street to get some eggs from a cart. Her head was heavily wrapped and she was carrying a box or basket and did not notice the approach of the car. Those who witnessed the accident said it appeared to be unavoidable on the part of the motorman. The car was in charge of Motorman L. J. Strickland and Conductor J. W. Lassiter.

TELEPHONE EXTENSION.

Residents in Vicinity of Atkinson Enjoys Bell Service.

A farmers' telephone, furnishing service to a number of well known people, has just been connected with the toll station of the Southern Bell Telephone Company at Burgaw.

The line will furnish service to the following people: E. E. Murphy, J. A. Murphy, T. T. Murphy, E. A. Hawes, Jr., J. H. Highsmith, J. A. Blanchard, W. O. Pope, Smith's Store, Interstate Lumber Co., Parson Lumber Co., Dr. Hoggar, and others in the vicinity of Atkinson, N. C.

This line was constructed under the plan of the Southern Bell Telephone Company, by which farmers in all sections of the State are enabled to secure telephone service through the great Bell system on an economical basis. Many farmers and rural residents are taking advantage of this proposition to secure telephone service in their homes.

HOOKWORM CONFERENCE.

Invitation Received by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.

An invitation to the conference for the eradication of the hookworm disease, under the auspices of the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, on January 18th and 19th, has been received by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.

The invitation is extended to representatives of medical associations, commercial bodies, city councils, health boards and insurance companies. The Georgia State Board of Health will join the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce in carrying out the plans of the conference.

Much-Sought Alderman Returns.

Fred W. Bonitz, Esq., chairman of the Streets and Wharves committee of the Board of Aldermen, who has spent the last two or three weeks in Washington and Baltimore on business, has returned to Wilmington and there is much rejoicing in every section of the city. Various persons with complaints about this or that have made daily inquiries as to when the head of the Street and Wharves department of the city government would return. He arrived just in time to give all a hearing before the Christmas holidays set in. Superintendent of Streets Grant, who was away for several days, has also returned and it is expected that considerable street work will be done during the few remaining days before Christmas.

Fruit cakes, Sallie white cake. Home-made pound cake. Farris Bakery.

Unneeded Christmas stamp for every Christmas gift.

If you don't find it elsewhere, try J. T. Burke, the jeweler, decept.

GRIND OF RECORDER'S COURT

White Man Charged With Abandonment and Non-Support—Other Cases That Came Over From Saturday Night.

The most important case in Recorder's court yesterday was against Mr. Alonzo T. Merritt, a well known carpenter, charged by his wife, Mrs. Hatie Merritt, with abandonment and non-support, the preliminary hearing taking place before Justice George Harriss Saturday afternoon. The defendant was represented by Walter P. Gafford, Esq., while C. C. Loughlin, Esq., appeared for the prosecution. Mrs. Merritt was the first witness called to the stand. Mr. Gafford objected to her testifying to the husband's failure to provide on the ground that the marriage had not been established. Apparently the prosecution had no means of producing positive proof on so short notice and Mr. Loughlin urged that in the absence of such the general reputation should be considered ample to establish the fact that the marriage took place. After a loss of five or ten minutes Mr. Gafford decided to admit the marriage and the trial proceeded. Mrs. Merritt told of a quarrel she and her husband had on Sunday night a week ago and of his leaving early Monday morning following. She said that he returned on Tuesday night in an intoxicated condition and "raised a ruckus" where she had been purchasing them, but said that she had no wood to keep warm. To keep warm she had to go to her sister's home. One or two other witnesses were offered by the State. The Recorder ordered that the defendant pay his wife \$5 a week.

When the case against C. I. Barnes, a young white man, and Wm. Dobson, colored, charged with an affray in the basement of the Kress store, where they were employed, were called, A. G. Ricard, Esq., counsel for Barnes, entered submissions to simple assault and the defendants were let off with costs.

Ed. Long, colored, for a simple assault upon Aaron Fillyaw, colored, was required to pay a fine of \$5 and costs. He was represented by L. Clayton Grant, Esq., while Walter P. Gafford, Esq., appeared for the prosecution. In his argument Mr. Grant said that the officer, Mr. D. W. Coleman, had no right to arrest Long as the warrant was sworn out only yesterday morning, the alleged offense not being committed in the officer's presence. He said that the officer was guilty of an assault for arresting the negro under such circumstances.

Cases against Floyd Phaer, colored, charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct and resisting an officer were continued until today at the request of Walter P. Gafford, Esq., who appears for the defendant. Phaer, who, as stated in Sunday's paper, had to be clubbed by the officers making the arrest, appeared in the court room with a bandaged head.

A case against Boy Mitchell, colored, charged with assault with deadly weapon on Garry Smith, colored, was continued until Friday, and a case against Alice Jones, colored, charged with the larceny of \$20 from A. D. Kemp, colored, Saturday night, was continued until today, on account of the absence of witnesses.

The cases against Assistant Chief of Police C. S. Burnett, and Justice J. H. Sykes, charged with an affray, continued until Friday, and a case against the larceny of \$20 from A. D. Kemp, colored, Saturday night, was continued until today, on account of the absence of witnesses.

IS STILL ENJOYING FREEDOM.

Arthur Fisher Arrested at Chadbourn, But Was Released.

It was learned yesterday morning that Arthur Fisher, the young white man wanted in Jacksonville and Rich lands, N. C., for passing worthless checks, was arrested at Chadbourn Saturday afternoon when he called at the station there for his baggage, which he left the afternoon before. He was held until the arrival of the afternoon train from this city and then released. The authorities there expected the banks taken in by the young fellow to send a person to Chadbourn on the afternoon train to identify the man under arrest, and when they failed to arrive they released the prisoner, not caring to take chances on having the wrong person.

It was stated here yesterday that the opinion seems to prevail that the young man has gone to Georgia, in which State he has made his home for the last few years. What became of the girl said to be with him was not made known here.

It was also learned yesterday that two Fishers are wanted and that Arthur Fisher is not the one who raised the Whiteville bank for \$500 about a month ago. It appears that it was H. G. Fisher, said to be a brother of Arthur, who visited the Whiteville bank. Information reached this city yesterday to the effect that H. G. Fisher had been visiting relatives around Chadbourn and arrived in Wilmington on the late Coast Line train Saturday night and left again early Sunday morning, destination unknown.

Case Was Dismissed.

In Justice George Harriss' court yesterday afternoon a case against D. D. Williams, a white man, charged by J. C. Medlin, of Northeast, with perjury, was dismissed and the prosecutor taxed with costs. The prosecutor, in his affidavit, alleged that Williams swore in Superior Court here at the last term that he (Medlin) did not offer to pay \$12.50 for certain logs and the affidavit proposed to show that the testimony was false. The action was dismissed without going into the evidence of the case, the prosecutor failing to appear until an hour after the time set for the trial. Herbert McCallum, Esq., represented the defendant and L. Clayton Grant, Esq., the prosecutor.

"Look for the label" on the really, truly "Christmas Candy"—none genuine without the Christmas stamp on the box.

If you don't find it elsewhere, try J. T. Burke, the jeweler, decept.

SALVATION ARMY XMAS BASKET

Ensign Williams Grateful for the Liberal Donations Received.

Friday, Christmas eve, the local post of the Salvation Army, Ensign and Mrs. Williams in charge, will distribute 100 well filled baskets to as many poor and needy families in Wilmington. Ensign Williams stated last night that the people had responded magnificently to his appeal for funds with which to provide the Christmas for the poor, about \$125 having been received. The work of preparing the baskets will be commenced within a day or two and will be ready for distribution early Friday morning. The baskets will contain food sufficient to last the average family a day or two. The secret orders of the city aided materially in raising the fund. Checks were sent from Court Cape Fear, Foresters; Jefferson and Clarendon Lodges, K. of P.; St. John's Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; George Washington and Jeff Davis Councils, Jr. O. U. A. M.; Wilmington Lodge, I. O. O. F.; Cornelius Harnett Council, Royal Arcanum; and Live Oak Camp, Woodmen of the World. A number of individuals contributed liberally, one man giving \$10. Ensign Williams is very grateful to those who made possible the giving of Christmas baskets to Wilmington's poor and needy. He has made a personal visit to the homes of those to whom baskets will be sent and all are desiring and in many homes the Salvation Army basket will be the only reminder of the gladdest season of the year.

MADE TALK ON INDIA.

Rev. John Aberly Spoke to Men's Meeting Sunday Afternoon.

An address was delivered by Rev. John Aberly, D. D., returned missionary from India, at the men's meeting in the Y. M. C. A. parlors Sunday afternoon. Only a small number was present on account of the severe weather.

Dr. Aberly is a fluent and interesting speaker who made a most favorable impression upon the small assemblage. His career in India for 20 years as a missionary of the Lutheran church has been marked by interesting events, in which portions of that country have made splendid progress toward a higher development of civilization. His address was one replete with entertaining and instructive illustrations. Dr. Aberly also preached Sunday at St. Matthews' Lutheran church at both the morning and evening services. He came to Wilmington from his home at Newbern, N. C.

XMAS AT POSTOFFICE.

Conveniences Arranged to Facilitate Handling Holiday Business.

In order to properly accommodate the public during the holiday rush at the postoffice, stamps will be on sale at both the central delivery and the stamp windows, and a clerk will be stationed in the corridor to weigh all packages so that the proper denomination of stamps may be called for at the windows.

The public is earnestly requested to give to the clerk weighing packages the information whether or not the packages are to be registered. The registration fee is now ten cents in addition to the regular postage, instead of eight cents, as formerly, and this will be given by the government in payment for the loss of a registered package is increased from \$25 to \$50.

NIGHT FIRING TARGET PRACTICE.

Shipping Interests Warned of Danger Around Fort Caswell.

All persons interested in shipping and all persons having knowledge of the same are notified that there will be a night firing target practice at Fort Caswell on Tuesday night, December 21st, from about 8 to 10 o'clock P. M.

The waters in front of Fort Caswell for about four miles out to sea and between limits of B. H. Light and the bell buoy will be safe for vessels during this firing.

Any one having knowledge of ships entering or leaving the river entrance on the above hours are requested to notify the commanding officer of the same.

A NORTHEAST STORM.

Warnings Displayed Along the Coast Sunday Night—The Navaho.

A northeast storm prevailed along the Carolina coast Sunday and yesterday and storm warnings were displayed at the various ports. The weather yesterday was unusually rough and the Clay Line Navaho, from New York to Wilmington, which arrived yesterday, had a rough passage.

Capt. Hale reported he saw no vessels in distress as a result of the heavy weather. The weather was very cold Sunday and yesterday with a light flurry of snow in the afternoon. Goldsboro and Fayetteville reported snow Sunday afternoon. The fall here was very light and remained on the ground only a few minutes.

CUTTER CRUISING SOUTH.

Will Visit Georgetown and Charleston on This Trip.

The revenue cutter Seminole, Capt. Crisp, left yesterday on another of her regular weekly cruises, making a voyage south this trip to Georgetown and Charleston. The cutter proceeded to Southport yesterday, where she will remain until this morning.

The Seminole will return to port next Friday. The weather was reported to be very rough outside yesterday, but no marine disasters of any kind were reported along the North Carolina coast. A rather unusual coincidence is that for the past two Monday mornings, the cutter leaving port, has encountered a storm off the coast.

Parlor Car Service.

The Seaboard Air Line Railroad yesterday inaugurated parlor car service between Wilmington and Hamlet, which is much appreciated by the traveling public. This service is on train No. 39, leaving here at 3:20 P. M., and train No. 40, arriving here at 1:15 P. M.

The best fruit cake, home-made pound cake, Sallie white cake, jelly, coconut, chocolate, walnut and lemon layer cakes. All kinds of small cakes, Farris Bakery, phone 626.

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In cases of 12 bottles, (called quarts), one kind or assorted, \$7.00 per case, express prepaid, or \$6.00, delivered in Wilmington. Apply for descriptive booklet-price list.

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and continuing until Friday night, Dec. 24th, we expect to sell \$5,000.00 of furniture, house furnishing goods, Mattings, Rugs, Dinner Sets, Toilet Sets, etc., for \$3,000.00 cash. \$2,000.00 less than the same quality of goods will or can be sold by any other house in North Carolina, giving our customers \$2,000 as a Christmas present. We will prove this to every customer. Come and see for yourself. There is a reason.

We give a few prices below, which prove the statement, the same reduction applies to more than 500 articles of new goods, received within the last 15 days.

27x54 Iron Beds	\$1.49	27x54 Velvets	\$1.29
27x54 Iron Beds	\$1.98	27x54 Fringed	98c
27x54 Iron Beds	\$2.98	27x54 Axminsters	\$1.69
27x54 Iron Beds	\$5.98	36x72 Axminsters	\$2.98
27x54 Iron Beds	\$6.98	9x12 Brussels	\$12.98
27x54 Iron Beds	\$17.98	9x11 Velvets	\$15.98
27x54 Iron Beds	\$27.98	9x12 Smith's Axminsters	\$19.98
27x54 Iron Beds	\$41.98	9x12 all wool Smyrnas	\$21.98

60 Carriages, Go-Carts, Folders, Collapsible, Pullman Sleepers, English Coaches, etc. See them if interested.

More than 200 Rockers, Golden Oak, Mission, Reed, solid Mahogany. \$2.50 Oak Rockers

\$1.69

\$4.00 Oak Rockers

\$2.98

\$6.50 Mission Rockers

\$4.49

\$7.50 Reed Rockers

\$5.19

\$20.00 solid Mahogany, leather seat and back

\$11.98

102 Dressers, quartered golden oak, white enamel, birds eye maple, genuine solid mahogany. Commodore Chiffoniers and Ladies' Dressing Tables to match. Example of price: Solid Oak, 24x30 French Bevel Mirror

\$6.98

16 Library Tables, all woods, some Royal Crofts' make in the lot

\$3.98 up

30 Parlor Tables, beauties for presents at astonishing prices.

19 China Cabinets, golden quartered oak, mission and genuine solid mahogany, any, same at \$13.98, bent glass sides and drawers.

21 Dinner Sets in Domestic, English, German and French China, \$7.98 up for 100 pieces.

31 Ladies' Desks, oak, mission, walnut, imitation mahogany, solid mahogany and art, from \$3.98 up. Don't fail to see them.

Pictures, Sideboards, Bed Room Suits, Parlor Suits, Dining Room Suits, Morris Chairs, from \$4.98 up. Hall Lamps, Wardrobes and hundreds of other articles, all going at a saving. A few Dolls, Doll Carriages, Doll Tea Sets, Etc.

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\$5 silk petticoats, \$3.75 at Rehder's.

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See Rehder's, Fourth Street Bridge, for your Christmas candies.

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Brief Mention, News of Societies, Meetings, Etc.

Mrs. A. F. Bland, of Teachey, N. C., was in the city yesterday on a visit to friends.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Clarke left yesterday evening for Louisville, Ky., Mr. Clarke's old home, where they will spend the holidays.

Mrs. R. O. Crisp, wife of Capt. Crisp, of the Seminole, is stopping for the winter with Mrs. Quince on North Seventh street.

Misses Merle McEachern and Florence Wessell, students of Salem Academy, Salem, N. C., have arrived to spend the holidays with home folks.

Rev. W. E. Hill, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Farmville, Va., has been spending a few days in the city, a guest of his mother, Mrs. Ella Hill.

Yesterday afternoon's Fayetteville Observer says: "Mrs. N. D. Emerson, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Slocomb, on Dick street, has returned to Wilmington."

Yesterday's Charlotte Observer says: "Mrs. T. C. Evans, formerly of this city, will arrive today from Wilmington to spend the holidays here as the guest of her sisters, Misses Charlie and Bessie Hutchison, at their home on Tenth avenue."

Lieutenant B. M. Chiswell, of the revenue cutter service, Washington, D. C., is spending the Christmas holidays here at the home of his father-in-law, Dr. W. J. H. Bellamy, on corner Second and Orange streets. Mr. Chiswell arrived some weeks ago.

Friends in the State will be interested in the announcement of the engagement of Miss Mary McNeill, of Fayetteville, and Mr. Paul Cameron Collins, of Hillsboro, the wedding to occur January 15th. Both Mr. Collins and Miss McNeill have many friends in Wilmington who will be interested to know of the approaching nuptials.

Autryville, N. C., Dec. 18.—A very pretty home wedding was solemnized on Friday night at the home of the bride's father, Mr. W. I. McPhail, in Dismal township, when Mr. Albion Autry and Miss Rosa McPhail became united in marriage. In the presence of a few friends the bride came into the parlor on the arm of the groom, attended by the bridal party consisting of Miss Grace Autry with Mr. M. C. McPhail, Miss Julia Autry with Mr. S. O. Autry, Miss Mittle Williams with Mr. Charles Faircloth and Miss Lela Cooper with Mr. J. K. Williams. Willey Spell, Esq., performed the ceremony. The groom is the popular son of Capt. J. L. Autry, of Clement. He is in business in Autryville and is well liked by both social and business associates. The bride has a large number of friends in this and other communities, all of whom wish for the couple a long and happy married life.

DAUGHTERS ARRANGE FOR THE LEE CELEBRATION.

The rain did not dampen the ardor of members of Cape Fear Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, who assembled in the W. L. I. armory at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon in regular monthly session. The December meeting is always of much importance as it is at this time that the various committees are appointed to arrange for the celebration of the birthday anniversary of Gen. Robert E. Lee on January 19th. Mrs. T. E. Sprunt presided in the absence of the president, Mrs. Wm. Parsley, and Mrs. Cuthbert Martin acted as recording secretary. The wreath committee for the month was named as follows: Miss Mary Calder, Mrs. John Gore and Miss Alice Borden. The chairman of the committee on arrangements for the celebration of Lee's birthday anniversary were named as follows: China, Mrs. F. L. Huggins, decorating banquet hall, Mrs. John Rankin; hall and table, Mrs. Martin Willard; decorating Academy of Music, Mrs. Cuthbert Martin; fruits, Mrs. R. W. Hicks; meat, Mrs. L. L. Pritchard; bread, butter and biscuits, Mrs. T. E. Sprunt and Mrs. Julius Davis; sugar and coffee, Mrs. R. C. Cantwell; cigars and tobacco, Mrs. W. B. Cooper; oysters, Mrs. J. C. Munds. The chairman of the committees will select their assistants. The day will be observed as has long been the custom of the local chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy. An elaborate dinner will be served the Confederate veterans in the Masonic Temple, after which the old soldiers will assemble at the W. L. I. armory and march to the Academy of Music, where the exercises will be held at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The orator of the day has not been announced. At the next meeting, January 26th, the recently elected officers will be formally inducted into office.

LECTURE LAST NIGHT.

Rev. J. T. Brown finished his labors in this section. Rev. John T. Brown delivered his famous lecture, "Optimism and Pessimism," at the Christian Church last night. The congregation was not large, due probably to the unpleasant weather, but those who attended heard a most pleasing and interesting lecture. The revival which has been in progress at the church for the last two or three weeks was formally closed with the lecture last night and Mr. Brown leaves this morning for Eugene, Oregon, where he will hold a similar meeting. He will be accompanied as far as Kentucky by his wife, who has been with him here. The meeting has done much good for the church, though the number of additions was not as large as was expected. Mr. Brown is an able and forcible preacher and it is believed that his work here will bear great fruit.

A Christmas bargain—Christmas stamps only one cent each, ten for ten cents.

10 v. No. 40, \$0.95 at Rehder's.

LOCAL DOTS.

—In Justice Bornemann's court yesterday Willie Davis, colored, was required to pay the costs in a case against him for slapping Julia McNeill, colored.

—Owing to the inclemency of the weather the men's meeting scheduled for last night at Brooklyn Baptist Church was not held, being postponed until the second Monday night in January.

—Brooke G. Empey, Esq., receiver, yesterday sold at public auction all desks, furniture, tables, etc., in the office of the Stephens Construction Company and all moulding, flooring, glassware, hardware and all lumber at the mill of the bankrupt company, on Front street, between Orange and Ann. Despite the disagreeable weather the bidding for the most part was lively. The various things are said to have brought fairly good prices.

BIBLE STUDY CLASS.

Meeting at the Y. M. C. A. Last Night one of Special Interest.

The Bible Study Class held the last meeting of the year last night with a large attendance and every evidence of good fellowship among members. Following the supper, which was served at 7:10, the president, Mr. W. W. Koch, called the meeting to order and stated that when the club adjourned it would not meet again until the second Monday night in January. He urged each member to attend the next meeting and bring at least one friend with him, giving assurance that supper would be provided for all. He said further that it was a firm conviction of his that as much as the members enjoyed the supper they enjoyed the profitable teaching of Rev. A. D. McClure more, and that the class desired to express its appreciation of his work at this time by the presentation of Hoffman's picture, "Christ Before the Doctors." Mr. Koch was happy in his speech of presentation. In a very graceful manner Dr. McClure accepted the gift, declaring that he would always prize it very highly. Then President Koch said the club was not unmindful of the three ladies who have met from week to week and prepared the supper and as an evidence of the club's appreciation he presented each lady with a silk umbrella, jokingly remarking as he did so that the rain protector would enable the club members to have supper on rainy days as well as on sunny days. The ladies to whom the umbrellas were presented are Mrs. Edwin Kette, Mrs. Joseph Sharrock and Mrs. Leo A. Knapp.

WIRELESS TELEPHONE.

Practical Demonstration at Junction Restaurant and Jarman's Store.

Messrs. A. T. Costello and W. T. Mixon, representing the Collins Wireless Telephone Company, yesterday began a demonstration of the invention at the Junction restaurant, on Princess street, the connection by electric wave only, being with Jarman's drug store across a narrow alley and between two brick walls of the buildings. Hundreds of people called either at the drug store or the restaurant during the day and marveled at the new invention, which is now being launched by a company to which the capital stock is open to the public, and which is being solicited here.

Observed as Orphanage Day.

The Sunday School of Brooklyn Baptist Church observed Sunday as Orphanage Day. Notwithstanding the disagreeable weather the collection amounted to \$32, the Philanthropy class giving \$15 of the amount. The orphanage at Thomasville is maintained chiefly by monthly offerings from the Baptist Sunday Schools of the State. The Brooklyn church will contribute about \$300 this year and the contributions from the other Baptist churches of the city will also be very liberal. In place of the usual Sunday School lesson short talks were made Sunday on the orphanage by Rev. C. F. Whitlock, pastor of the church, Assistant Superintendent Liston Larkins and Teacher C. C. Rice.

Campbell Encampment Elects.

Campbell Encampment No. 1, I. O. O. F., at its regular meeting last night elected officers for the ensuing term as follows: Chief Patriarch, Robert Robbins; High Priest, J. W. Robinson; Senior Warden, J. W. Mallard; Junior Warden, Jas. E. Willson; Scribe, John E. Wood; Treasurer, P. H. Murphy; Trustees, John E. Wood, W. L. Smith and W. H. Yopp; Auditing Committee, M. W. Jacob, J. T. King and A. T. Parker. The above with the appointive officers will be installed by District Deputy Past Chief Patriarch Chas. W. Stewart at first meeting night in January.

Railway Trainmen Elect.

At a meeting Sunday night of Cape Fear Lodge No. 780, Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, the following officers were elected and installed for the ensuing year: Past president, L. J. Glasgow; president, John Rogers; vice president, D. C. Allen; secretary, A. T. Young; treasurer, C. M. Bullock; chaplain, H. H. Pool; Journal agent, W. C. Capps; conductor, G. W. Boone; warden, J. M. McLamb; inner guard, J. I. Glisson; outer guard, S. H. Stuard.

Funeral of Mrs. Mitchell.

The funeral of Mrs. Sheldon Mitchell, whose death occurred Saturday morning, was held from the late residence, 712 Dock street, Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, conducted by Rev. W. A. Snyder, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, and Rev. T. A. Smoot, pastor of Grace Methodist church, in the presence of a number of relatives and friends. The interment was in Oakdale cemetery.

Basketball Thursday Night.

The basketball team of Fort Caswell will play a picked team of the Y. M. C. A. in the gymnasium of the Y. M. C. A. here Thursday night, beginning at 8 o'clock. The Fort Caswell team is a strong one, but the Y. M. C. A. boys expect to capture the game. An admission of 10 cents will be charged.

"There is a reason"—more than one reason—for using Christmas stamps.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. Walter Storm is at home from the North to spend the holidays.

—Woodus Kellum, Esq., returned yesterday afternoon from a professional visit to Whiteville.

—Messrs. F. L. Dempsey and J. F. Powell will leave this evening for New York City to spend the holidays.

—Mr. Lindsay Russell, a prominent lawyer of New York City, is visiting his brother, Dr. Frank H. Russell, 514 Market street.

—Herbert McClammy, Esq., returned yesterday morning from a professional trip of a few days to Washington, D. C. and Baltimore.

—Mr. Heman S. Shaw, professor of English in Fredericksburg College, Virginia, has arrived in the city to spend the holidays with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Shaw.

—Elder J. C. Hooks and wife, of Fremont, N. C., are spending a few days in the city quite pleasantly, guests at the home of Mr. J. O. Brown, No. 617 South Third street.

NEW PAPER FOR BLADEN.

The News Soon to Make Its Appearance at Elizabethtown—Railroad.

Mr. Stewart Starr, of Lake City, S. C., arrived in the city on the early morning train today from Elizabethtown, where he will shortly begin the publication of a new paper to be known as the Bladen County News. Mr. Starr will conduct this paper in connection with his newspaper interests at Lake City and is confident of winning in that fine old county. Mr. Starr says that the entire community around Elizabethtown is alive with railroad enthusiasm and that there is no doubt of the bond issue carrying in January. Advocates of the issue have gotten out lapel buttons, bearing the legend "Vote for Railroad and Prosperity" and a very active campaign is being waged.

Concord Chapter No. 1, R. A. M.

Concord Chapter No. 1, R. A. M., last night elected officers for the ensuing term as follows: High Priest, John S. McEachern; King, J. R. Bear; Scribe, J. W. Stormfely; treasurer, J. C. Munds; Secretary, W. A. Martin; Captain of the Host, W. G. Sale.

For Christmas Shoppers.

For the benefit of Christmas shoppers, the Tidewater Power Co., will operate its South Wilmington cars as far as Rehder's store on North Fourth street, until after the holidays, daily from 1 P. M. to 10 P. M.

SHE FIGHTS EXTRADITION

Mrs. Martin Objects to Going to New Jersey—The Snead Case.

New York, Dec. 20.—Mrs. Carolina Martin and Mrs. Mary B. Snead, held by the New York authorities in connection with the death of Okey Snead, both heavily veiled were brought into court this afternoon. They were accompanied by their counsel Franklin W. Fort and Colonel Robert A. Haire. Mr. Fort announced that he appeared as general counsel for all the women prisoners, including Miss Virginia Wardlaw, who is in the jail of Morris county, N. J.

It was said that he had advised the women under arrest here not to fight extradition proceedings, but that Mrs. Martin had insisted upon resisting removal to New Jersey and had obtained a verdict in the case of Okey Snead in this particular. Mrs. Snead was ready to go to New Jersey at any time, Mr. Fort stated. She could not go now, however, the lawyer declared, as she was under arrest and the extradition proceeding would have to take their course.

The court proceedings were brief. Counsel joined in the statement that they had agreed to request an adjournment until Friday to give the New Jersey authorities an opportunity to prepare extradition papers. As there was no objection the court adjourned the proceedings until that time and the prisoners were taken back to the toms.

THE NIGHT RIDERS' JURY.

Unable to Agree in Case of Cloar and Johnson at Union City.

Union City, Tenn., Dec. 20.—Although twice called upon today for a verdict in the case of Garrett Johnson and Arthur Cloar is tonight apparently as far from a decision as before the case was given it for deliberation.

When brought into court today one of the jurors asked if it was permissible for a "majority" verdict to be made. The defense attorneys strenuously objected to the remark, stating that every man was entitled to his opinion. Judge Jones admonished the attorneys and the jury that the law and evidence had been fully dealt with in the court's charge and remanded the jury for further deliberation.

CURES PIMPLES EASY.

Simple Remedy That Clears Skin Quickly of All Eruptions. For several weeks past J. Hicks Bunting Co. have done the biggest business it ever had in any one article in selling Hokara, the skin food that has won so many friends in Wilmington. It has been found to be an absolute cure not only for all minor skin troubles, such as pimples, blackheads, herpes, acne, scaly scalp, complexion blemishes, itching feet, piles, etc., but for the worst sores, ulcers, or even chronic eczema and salt rheum. There has yet to be found any form of wound on disease affecting the skin or mucous membrane that Hokara does not heal, and its action is so instantaneous that those who try it are simply delighted with it right from the start.

In spite of its unusual curative powers, the price is trifling. To convince every one of its merits, they will sell a liberalized lot for 25 cents. And remember that if you do not think it does what it claims, you get your money back. You certainly can afford to try it on this plan.

If the skin trouble is caused by impure blood or if the bowels are inactive, use Hokara Blood Tablets. They cool and cleanse the blood and regulate the bowels in a natural way.

RICHARD PHARR THREATENED.

Man Who Unearthed Sugar Frauds Receiving L. Tiers.

New York, Dec. 20.—Threats of death by poison and violence against Richard Parr, the special treasury agent who unearthed the sugar frauds on the Williamsburg docks of the American Sugar Refining Company, are contained in a letter given out by him tonight, and received, he says on December 11th. The letter follows:

"The Editor of the Sun died suddenly. Some prominent men in the customs died suddenly. You have been taken suddenly ill. Beware of poison."

(Signed) "SIGAR." Mr. Parr was in fact taken suddenly ill during the recent trial of six former employees of the company, a day or two before the letter was written. His illness was supposed to be an affection of the nerves.

Other letters received by him he said tonight contained threats of death and injury by violence. He had been told that he would be pushed off a subway platform in front of a moving train and that he would be shot. Ernest Gebracht, formerly superintendent of the American Sugar Refining Company plant in Williamsburg, where the men convicted last week were discovered at their work of underweighing sugar shipments to defraud the customs, when arraigned in court today pleaded not guilty to an indictment charging him with conspiracy in connection with these frauds. He was given the usual two weeks of time to withdraw his plea or demur and continue at liberty under bail.

THREATS OF LYNCHING.

Eight Companies of Militia Ordered Out Near St. Louis.

St. Louis, Dec. 20.—Because of threats to lynch a negro held for murder, eight companies of militia were ready to start for Belleville, Ill., tonight and Sheriff Cashe was waiting at the St. Clair county jail with a heavily armed force of deputies.

Rumors that an attack was to be made upon the Belleville jail, in which Will Clark, a negro suspected of shooting two street car employees in East St. Louis Saturday night caused the preparations for an emergency. The sheriff asked Governor Deenen to order the troops in readiness when reports reached him that friends of the East St. Louis men were planning a descent upon Belleville, 15 miles away. In East St. Louis there was little tonight to indicate that any warlike preparations were needed. Friends and fellow employees of E. V. Goudey, the motorman who was killed and M. O'Brien, the conductor who was seriously wounded, were outspoken in their condemnation of the negro, especially after it was reported that Clark had confessed. A denial of the confession dispelled the avenue of mob spirit.

COOK'S DISAPPEARANCE.

His Absence Proving Costly—Mt. McKinley Investigation.

New York, Dec. 20.—The disappearance of Dr. Frederick A. Cook is likely to cost him dear. The committee of the Explorers' Club, which for more than two months has been investigating Dr. Cook's reputed ascent of Mount McKinley in September, 1906, has completed its examination and President Marshall H. Saville, the chairman, does not deny that the report will be unfavorable.

The doctor promised last October to appear before the committee whenever desired, to explain points that might need clearing up. He never did appear and Prof. Saville was asked tonight if the doctor's action had in any way embarrassed the committee, he said:

"You may judge that for yourself. We did expect Dr. Cook to come before us. We extended the invitation to him as a matter of fairness and he did not avail himself of it." The report will be made public Friday.

SECESSION ANNIVERSARY.

Generally Observed Throughout State of North Carolina.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 20.—The forty-ninth anniversary of South Carolina's decision to secede from the Union was observed throughout the State today with appropriate exercises held under the auspices of the United Confederate Veterans, the Daughters of the Confederacy and kindred organizations. Col. R. A. Thompson, of Vahalla, is now the only surviving signer of the ordinance of secession. Another of the signers, Mr. James H. Carlisle, president of Wofford College, died a few weeks ago.

JUDGE COOK'S CHARGE.

Would Bring in Bill for Manslaughter in Football Deaths.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 20.—Judge C. M. Cook, a judge of the Superior Court of North Carolina, today at Wilson, N. C., charged the grand jury that if it should find death in that county that resulted from injuries received in a football game it was its duty to bring in a bill at least for manslaughter against those concerned in the game.

TRAINMEN MAY STRIKE.

Demand For Increase of Wages Effective January 3rd.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Twenty-five thousand trainmen now employed on about 75 railroads east of the Mississippi river, through officials of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen formally notified the various divisions and railroads affected that the demand for an increase of five to 49 per cent in wages will be made January 3rd. Trainmen will wait until January 20th for an answer.

Secretary Dickinson has decided to appoint J. P. Pyffe, of Chattanooga, Tenn., chief of police of the Panama Canal Zone, at a salary of \$4,000 a year to succeed Gilbert Porter.

The best fruit cake, home made pound cake, Sallie white cake, jelly, coconut, chocolate, almond and lemon layer cakes. All kinds of small cakes, Farris' Bakery, phone 625.

See Rehder's, Fourth Street Bridge, for your Christmas candles.

See Rehder's for dolls and toys.

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We carry a big variety of Suit Cases, Hand Bags and Trunks. Our line of Shirts and Emery and Manhattan makes are the best in the city. Just received in time for the holidays a line of Men's Bath Robes in neat designs. No one urged to buy, we ask you only to look at our display and we will gladly serve you.

Our store will remain open every night this week until 9 o'clock, with the exception of Friday night, until 12 o'clock.

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STUDENTS FOR HAZING.

Nine in Richmond College Under Probation—Will Lose Scholarships.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 20.—Nine students of Richmond College are under probation for participation in a hazing which took place some time ago and although heroic methods have been resorted to in order to placate the president and faculty of the institution it looks gloomy for the reinstatement of those found guilty of the misdemeanor. The young men under the ban are prominent in the student and athletic circles of the college. It is thought probable that two of them will lose scholarships on account of the hazing indulged in while a star football and baseball player will be prohibited from any further participation in athletics at the college, and a fourth unfortunate is to be deprived of an instructorship.

The biggest assortment of Xmas cakes in the City. Farris' Bakery.

AIMED AT COTTON FUTURES.

Lovering Seeking Taft's Support of Bill—Wheat is Included.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Seeking President Taft's support of the proposed legislation, Representative Lovring, of Massachusetts, today presented him with a copy of the bill which Representative Scott, of Kansas, chairman of the House Committee on Agriculture, will introduce in the House to prevent gambling in cotton and wheat futures.

IN THE HOME

GOWAN'S PREPARATION is absolute protection against pneumonia, colds, croup, coughs, pains and soreness in lungs and throat. Relieves at once by destroying the inflammation and congestion. External and internal use. \$1.00, 50c, 25c. All druggists.

EPIDEMIC AT TRINITY

College Closed Yesterday on Account of Mumps—May Spread.

Durham, N. C., Dec. 20.—Trinity College closed today permanently for the holidays on account of an epidemic of mumps that broke out in its preparatory department last week. It was feared the epidemic might spread through the city.

Fruit cakes, Sallie white cake, Home-made pound cake. Farris' Bakery.

See Rehder's for fancy vests, overcoats and suits.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 25c.

MARKET QUOTATIONS

The Latest Reports From the Important Trading Centers and From Local Dealers.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 20.
SPIRITS—Market, steady \$3.00 per barrel.
TURBINE—Market, steady \$3.00 per barrel.
CRUDE TURBINE—Firm, \$2.50 per barrel for hard; \$4.00 for dip and \$4.00 for virgin.
Quotations same day last year—spirits turpentine, nothing doing; rosin, steady \$2.50; turpentine, firm \$1.50; crude turpentine firm \$1.50; \$2.00 and \$2.50.

Spirits turpentine 35
Rosin 35
Turpentine 35
Crude turpentine 35
Receipts, same day last year 31 casks spirits turpentine 119 barrels rosin; 290 barrels turp; 71 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Nothing doing.
Same day last year—Quiet, 8 7-8 cents.
Receipts—2,444 bales, same day last year 2,102 bales.

PRODUCE MARKET.

(Quoted by W. Meredith Dec. 18th.)
PEANUTS—North Carolina, prime 55c; 70 extra prime 72 1/2; fancy 75c; Virginia, prime 65c; extra prime 73c; Spanish, 81c; 80c; 81c.
COIN—Firm 90c; 95c per bushel for mixed.
N. C. HAM—Good demand; hams 18c; shoulders 14 1/2; sides 15 1/2.
EGGS—Good demand 27c; 28c per dozen.
CHICKENS—Spring 20c; grown 35c; 40c; 45c.
BEEF—Firm at 20c.
TALLOW—Firm at 1 1/2c per pound.
SWEET POTATOS—Good demand 20c; 3 1/2c per pound on foot.
RICE—Dr. 14c; 15c; green 9c per pound.
SWEET POTATOS—Good demand 20c; 3 1/2c per pound on foot.
WOOL—Burr 18c; free of burr 22c.
LARD—50c; 55c per head.
PORK—Small lard per pound; large 9c.
SHEEP—Old no demand; Lambs, dull 1 1/2c; 2c.
TURKEYS—Good demand 15c; 16c on foot; dressed 18c; 22c.

THE COTTON MARKET.

New York, Dec. 20.—The cotton market was quiet today but showed a generally firm tone owing to the bullish census report and firm interior spot markets with the close steady at an advance of 4 to 11 points.

The opening was steady at an advance of 2 to 5 points with the trade paying attention to somewhat disappointing cables owing to the census figures which showed only 2,922,222 bales ginned to December 15th. This report was generally considered as confirming the small estimates of the crop but did not appear to be bringing in any fresh demand of consequence, however, because of the near approach of the holidays and after showing an advance of about 7 to 9 points the market eased and fell 3 to 5 points during the middle of the day under realizing and selling by local buyers who anticipated that the failure of general business to expand on the census figures would bring out a lot of long cotton for over Christmas. There was no sign, however, of liquidation on an important scale and when it was seen there was enough support into the market to prevent a break below for May some of the early sellers started to cover, with the result that trading became more active and prices reached the best point in the late trading when active months ruled about 9 to 10 points net higher and May contracts sold within 4 points of the season's high record.

This close was a check on the market, the best on active positions. Southern spot markets were generally unchanged and reports from Memphis claimed an improved demand. Local authorities considered that today's trading indicated that the scattering interest has been pretty well expended for over the holidays and that the bigger people on both sides are willing to stand on their position until after the first of the year.

Receipts at the ports today were 34,417 bales against 32,000 the week and 140,000 last year. For the week 200,000 bales against 203,135 last week and 286,336 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans 7,630 bales against 17,010 last year and at Houston 18,828 against 9,000 last year.

Spot cotton closed quiet, with prices higher. Middling uplands 15 1/2; middling gulf 15 1/2; sales 400 bales.

Futures opened steady and closed steady. Month. 14 1/2
Dec. 14 1/2
January 14 1/2
February 14 1/2
March 14 1/2
April 14 1/2
May 14 1/2
June 14 1/2
July 14 1/2
August 14 1/2
September 14 1/2
October 14 1/2

PORT MOVEMENT.

Colleston—Quiet, 15; net receipts 14,140; stock 200,000.
New Orleans—Quiet, 15 1-16; net receipts 7,630; stock 132,125.
Mobile—Steady, 14 7-8; net receipts 3,006; stock 51,250.
Savannah—Steady, net receipts 14 5-8; net receipts 1,147; stock 131,684.
Charleston—Nominal; 670; stock 4,973.
Wilmington—Nominal; net receipts 2,444; stock 22,505.
Norfolk—Quiet, 15; net receipts 2,655; stock 40,380.
Baltimore—Nominal, 15 1-8; stock 103,214.
New York—Quiet, 15 3/8; net receipts 130,222.
Boston—Quiet, 15 3/8; net receipts 13,715.
Philadelphia—Steady, 15 1/2; stock 3,500.
Port Arthur and Sabine Pass—Net receipts 4,027.
Texas City—Net receipts 1,300.
Jacksonville—Net receipts 1,333.
Total today, at all ports, net receipts 41,777; Continent 11,201; Mexico 1,300; stock 508,301.
Consolidate, at all ports, net receipts 7,630; Great Britain 23,117; Continent 18,340; Mexico 1,300.
Total since September 1st, at all ports, net receipts 4,750,050; Great Britain 1,298,881; France 977,311; Continent 1,418,294; Japan 18,534; Mexico 8,865.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Steady, 15; net receipts 18,828; stock 109,015.
Augusta—Steady, 15 1-8; net receipts 2,202; stock 68,594.
Memphis—Steady, 15 1-4; net receipts 3,507; stock 211,462.
St. Louis—Quiet, 15 1-4; net receipts 925; stock 42,132.
Cincinnati—Quiet, 15 3/8; stock 9,128.
Little Rock—Quiet, 11 5/8; stock 7,770; stock 32,305.
Louisville—Firm, 15 2-8.
Total today, net receipts 27,251; gross receipts 20,093; shipments 21,900; sales 3,728; stock 492,721.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Dec. 20.—Spot in limited demand, prices unchanged. American, middling fair 8 3/8; good middling 8 1/2; middling 8 1/8; low middling 7 9/8; good ordinary 7 5/8; ordinary 7 4/8.
The sales of the day were 4,000 bales of which 500 were for speculation and export and included 2,500 American. Receipts 4,000 bales including 2,000 American.
Futures opened quiet and steady and closed steady. December 7 3/8; January 7 3/8; February 7 3/8; March 7 3/8; April 7 3/8; May 7 3/8; June 7 3/8; July 7 3/8; August 7 3/8; September 7 3/8; October 7 3/8; November 7 3/8; December 7 3/8.

DICK BROS. & CO. COTTON LETTER.

New York, Dec. 20.—The census report on the amount of cotton ginned to December 15th was issued at the opening this morning. It showed 9,362,000 bales or about 481,000 bales for the period from December 1st to 15th. The figures were more bullish than expected, as the National Ginners' report from probably fully half the gins in the belt, but their reports necessarily call for a certain amount of estimating on a percentage basis. The news officially was bullish with Southern points.

reporting New York bears inquiring for cotton to be sent here for delivery on January contracts. Bondary reports state that India cotton is in good demand from native spinners at prices above those Europe is willing to pay. This precludes the possibility of any heavy shipments to this country, particularly as Japan also will be a large buyer of India cotton to make up for the deficit caused by the failure to buy freely of American cotton this year.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 20.—The cotton goods market holds firm on a moderate volume of trading with converters and printers. Immediate dress goods trade is slow and buyers are looking for supplies of fancy novelties, January and February delivery. Fine broad cloths are open for Fall. Tailors and Tussahs are active in raw silk and higher. Yarns remain steady.

THE STOCK MARKET.

New York, Dec. 20.—The speculative hope that the approach of the holidays would be signalled by a brisk advance in prices of stocks was disappointed today. The market was quiet and the selling pressure of such an effective kind that enthusiasm was chilled.

A factor in this result was the set back in the Atlantic Coast Line group of securities, which followed the putting out of demands with appearance of authority with the rumors which accompanied last week's advance in those stocks. The details covered the alleged intention to issue new Louisville and Nashville stock, with valuable subscription rights to stockholders, which would of course have benefited Atlantic Coast Line in that capacity, and also the supposed intention to reduce the Atlantic Coast Line's capitalization by a preliminary sale of the Louisville and Nashville stocks which secures these bonds.

The market of the report from Paris that the effort to list United States Steel on the bourse had been definitely abandoned with the dissolution of the syndicate which took a block of the stock in connection with the project weighed on its prices to some extent.

The census bureau's cotton ginning report was held in the cotton market to cut from the December 15th report. The report of the crop shortage; a matter of grave import to the industry and the progress of the demands for higher wages by railway employees and conductors in the East seemed to weaken hanged interest. American Sugar suffered from the prosecution of the cotton market, with the result that the market responded to suggestions of dividend increases. Reading, Consolidated Gas and the Rock Island issues offered examples.

Bonds were steady. Total sales, par value, were \$2,645,000. Total sales of stocks today were 763,000.

THE FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Dec. 20.—Money on call firm 4 3/4 to 5 per cent; ruling rate 4 3/4, closing bid 4 3/8, offered at 5 per cent. Time loans easy and very dull, sixty days and ninety days 4 1/2 per cent; six months 4 1/4 to 4 1/2 per cent.

Prime mercantile paper 5 to 5 1/2 per cent, sterling exchange firm with actual business in bankers' bills at 48 1/2 to 48 3/4, sixty days bills and at 48 3/4 for demand, commercial bills 4 1/4 to 1/2. Bar silver 52 3/4. Mexican dollars 48.

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THE WEATHER

U. S. Department of Agriculture.
Weather Bureau.
Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 21, 1909.
Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 8 P. M. Monday, Dec. 20th:
Temperature at 8 A. M. 33 degrees; 8 P. M. 34 degrees; maximum 35 degrees; minimum 32 degrees; mean 33 degrees.
Rainfall for the day, .05; for the month, 2.20 inches.
Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. Monday 4 feet.

Forecast.

For North Carolina—Fair, continued cold Tuesday and Wednesday; light northwest to north winds.

Port Canadar—Dec. 21.

Sun Rises.....7:14 A. M.
Sun Sets.....5:07 P. M.
Day's Length.....9 hrs. 45 min.
High water at Southampton 2:46 A. M.
High water at Wilmington 5:46 A. M.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

S. A. L.—Parlor Car Service.
J. M. Solky & Co.—Christmas.
City Livery Co.—Update Traps.
Sol. Bear & Co.—Christmas Wines.
T. D. Meares, Clerk—Warrants Audited.
J. Hicks Bunting Drug Co.—Here's The Place.
Wilmington Lodge, A. F. & A. M.—Communication.

Business Locals.

Eggs—22 Cents a Dozen.
Plummer's—Malaga Grapes.
Young Man—Position Wanted.
Palace Market—Variety Complete.
Plummer's—Hayler's and Allegretti's.
E. Warren & Son—Fresh Ground Cocoanuts.

CENSUS REPORT ON COTTON.

Bales Ginned From Growth of This Season 9,362,222.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Census reports 9,362,222 bales of cotton ginned from the growth of 1909 to December 13th, compared with 11,900,565 bales for 1908.

The proportionate of the crop ginned to December 13th, 1909, is 90.9 per cent. of the crop on the same day of 1908. Round bales included this year are 139,967 compared with 215,059 for 1908. Sea Island 85,184 bales for 1909; 80,216 for 1908.

The number of bales of cotton ginned from the growth of 1909 in the several States compared with the corresponding date of 1908 follow:

Alabama, 1909, 986,099; 1908, 1,263,953. Arkansas, 1909, 642,784; 1908, 847,312. Florida, 1909, 59,247; 1908, 64,131. Georgia, 1909, 1,765,819; 1908, 1,867,963. Louisiana, 1909, 248,554; 1908, 435,602. Mississippi, 1909, 959,016; 1908, 1,441,947. North Carolina, 1909, 582,034; 1908, 615,736. Oklahoma, 1909, 514,715; 1908, 494,894. South Carolina, 1909, 1,066,058; 1908, 1,134,183. Tennessee, 1909, 221,464; 1908, 302,627. Texas, 1909, 2,263,423; 1908, 3,368,183. All other States, 1909, 53,009; 1908, 63,943.

The distribution of the Sea Island cotton for 1909 by States is: Florida, 26,871; Georgia 47,586; and South Carolina 10,727.

The statistics in this report for 1909 are subject to slight corrections when checked against the individual returns of the ginner being transmitted by mail. The corrected total of cotton ginned to season to December 1st, is 8,878,886 bales.

DISMISS TRINITY STUDENTS.

Eight "Shipped" For Hazing—Action of President Kilgo.

Durham, N. C., Dec. 20.—Eight young men were expelled from Trinity college today. Trinity has been free of hazing many years, but last night seven boys cast lots with a freshman to see which was to plunge into a cold water tank. The freshman lost and was caught in the act of paying the forfeit by the faculty.

The young men pleaded not guilty to hazing, but President Kilgo declared them guilty of gambling and the freshman was charged with "indecent exposure." All were dismissed.

President Kilgo, of Trinity, takes is sue with Dr. Elliott, of Harvard, as to "college self government" declaring the average college couldn't be governed without the strictest surveillance of the faculty and that 25 per cent of the students of the country are unfit to be in the colleges largely on account of the immoral indulgences of parents.

SOLDIER A SUICIDE.

Dishonorably Discharged From Fort McPherson, He Shoots Himself.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 20.—Because he had been dishonorably discharged from the United States army and then refused re-enlistment, a soldier named Carrigan, committed suicide by shooting himself with an army rifle in the cook's quarters at Fort McPherson. Carrigan was serving a sentence of one year at hard labor for leaving his post of duty without permission.

REAPING BENEFIT.

From the Experience of Wilmington People.

We are fortunate indeed to be able to profit by the experience of our neighbors. The public utterances of Wilmington residents on the following subject will interest and benefit thousands of our readers. Read this statement. No better proof can be had.

Mrs. J. D. Sellers, 706 S. Second St. Wilmington, N. C., says: "I am feeling like a different person since using Doan's Kidney Pills. Some time ago I procured a box of this remedy from Robert R. Bellamy's drug store, as was highly recommended for kidney trouble from which I had been suffering for a long time. My back ached constantly, my eyes pained me when lying down, dark spots floated before my eyes. My kidneys were weak and I had a constant desire to pass the secretions. One box of Doan's Kidney Pills corrected all these annoyances and built up my general health."

For sale by all dealers. Price 75 cents. Foster-Mulburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—on take no other.

BALLINGER MADE

(Continued From Page One.)

Mr. Ballinger is impatient of delay, and is said to have urged that a resolution providing for a Congressional investigation be presented in the Senate tomorrow. It is understood that he has been overruled on that point, and that the exceedingly complex task of determining the form of the inquiry will be threshed out between now and the re-convening of Congress on January 4th.

This whole subject has been the center of heated discussion among members of both Houses of Congress and it is not unlikely that the investigation will at length be put in the hands of a joint special committee representing both. Ordinarily, an investigation of this character would fall to the committee on public lands in one house or the other. These committees are made up, however, largely of men from Western States, who have in one way or another taken sides in the controversy and whose interests might be regarded as possibly interfering with an unbiased judgment.

One thing appears certain—the investigation, whoever makes it, must be relentless and everybody seems agreed that it must be absolutely public. It is admitted that anything in the nature of "state chamber" proceedings would satisfy nobody. The entire Department of the Interior so far as it concerns public lands and mineral and water rights, it is agreed, must be bare to the searchlight, from the time when Ballinger was minister general in the land office under the Roosevelt administration down to the present moment. The position Mr. Ballinger and his friends in this matter goes beyond any question of personal controversy and they and those who voice the attitude of the administration disavow any desire to "convict somebody else" as a means to vindicating the Secretary of the Interior. For instance, it is positively declared that the interests of the Department of Agriculture and its forest service of which Gifford Pinchot is chief will be recognized as having an important stake in this business, since much of this unhappy controversy has concerned matters in which the forest service was more or less directly involved.

TAFT NOMINATIONS.

Sent to the Senate Yesterday—Selections of President.

Washington, Dec. 20.—President Taft today sent to the Senate the following nominations of Ambassadors and Ministers:

Robert Bacon, of New York, ambassador to France; Richard C. Kerens, of Missouri, ambassador to Austria-Hungary; Henry Lane Wilson, of Washington, ambassador to Mexico; Charles Page Bryan, of Illinois, minister to Belgium; William James Calhoun, of Illinois, minister to China; Henry P. Fletcher, of Pennsylvania, minister to Chile; Henry T. Gage, of California, minister to Portugal; R. S. Reynolds Hitt, of Illinois, minister to Panama; John B. Jackson, of New Jersey, minister to Cuba; Felton R. McCreary, of Michigan, minister to Honduras; Edwin V. Morgan, of Michigan, minister to Paraguay; Charles W. Russell, of the District, minister to Persia; Lauritz S. Swenson, of Michigan, minister to Switzerland; Horace G. Knowles, of Delaware, minister and consul general to the Dominican Republic.

Among the nominations of United States district attorneys, sent to the Senate were: Marion Erwin, for the Southern District of Georgia; Ernest F. Cochran, for South Carolina.

Nominations of United States marshals sent to the Senate by the President included: Pope M. Long, for the Northern District of Alabama, and Walter H. Johnson, for the Northern District of Georgia.

The nomination of M. Marshall Langhorne, of Virginia, to be second secretary of the embassy at Rio de Janeiro, also was sent in.

MACK MAKES STATEMENT.

Favors Direct Nominations—Situation in New York State.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 20.—Chairman Norman E. Mack of the Democratic National Committee, in a signed statement, comes out solidly for direct nominations in the January number of the National Monthly. Chairman Mack says in part: "The direct primary may make and unmake political leaders, and even political parties, before another year. It is possible to stop it in the New York State Legislature at the coming session, but it will smash the Republican party in New York to do it. And by reason of the enemy's condition the opportunity for Democracy becomes all the greater. The people of New York State will have a direct primary system."

"The average voter was the direct primary. If the Democracy of New York is wise in this day it will not lose this splendid opportunity."

A Dainty Christmas Gift

—the sweetest of all remembrances—a box of delicious, wholesome

Nunnally's
Candies

—the highest quality, the purest, the very best made in all the South. Splendidly assorted.

A fresh Christmas supply at J. HICKS BUNTING DRUG CO.

Give A Bank Book For Christmas.

When you give a Bank Book you know it will be acceptable. One Dollar will secure the Book at the People's Savings Bank and if so requested the book will be mailed with your card to any address furnished.

STAR BUSINESS LOCALS

OUR VARIETY COMPLETE—It will pay you to see our variety of meats, fruits, and vegetables before buying for Christmas. Everything good to eat. Palace Market. Phone 72 and 652. de 21 tf

WANTED—Young man desires a position as clerk or collector. Can give best reference. Address "J. B." care of Star office. de 21 tf

HOYER'S & ALLEGRETTI'S—Free chocolates and bonbons just received. Fresh ground coconut 15c per quart. First-class cream and all kinds at Plummer's. de 21 tf

MALAGA GRAPES—fine yellow bananas, Florida oranges, California pears, and grape fruit. Nuts candies from 5c a pound up. See my list at 10 and 12c. Extra "The Lowrey" chocolates and a better grade at 25c per pound, at Plummer's. de 21 tf

FOR SALE—Engines. To reduce our stock of machinery before December 31st, we will sacrifice the following: 14x20 inches H. S. & G. and 18x24 inches Stearns slide valve engines—14x20 Atlas, four cylinders—16 inch and 18x24 inches Ball compound. Greenboro Supply Co., Dept. W., Greensboro, N. C. de 21 tf

EGGS, EGGS—FRESH EGGS—On account of the cold weather and scarcity of eggs, we will sell as low as they just at the very low price of 32 cents per dozen. We sell for cash and make no deliveries. We have all the eggs in the State. No one else has them at 15 cents a dozen. Yours truly, 531 North Front street. de 21 tf

FRESH GROUND COCAINUT, 15c per quart. Try our fresh home-made candy and chocolates for children 15c per pound, two pounds for 25c. E. Warren & Son. de 21 tf

FOR SALE—One-half interest in Shadeland Dairy Company's depot, corner of Eighth and Princess streets. Address Shadeland Dairy Company, Eighth and Princess streets. de 19 tf

MECHANICS Home Association, 39th series B. & L. stock opens January 1st, 1910. Subscribe now. Walker Taylor, president; W. M. Cunningham, secretary and treasurer. de 15 tf ex su

FOR RENT—That desirable seven-room cottage No. 713 Chesnut street. All modern conveniences. Apply on premises or 315 South Fifth street. de 19 tf

FOR RENT—New, up-to-date apartment house, northeast corner of Fifth and Ann streets. Possession given immediately. Apply to W. G. Whitehead, phone 229 or 415. de 19 tf

FOR RENT—Store No. 116 Market, between Front and Second streets. This is one of the largest and best fitted-up stores in the city. Suitable for any kind of business, fine location, size of store 25x120 feet, with large plate glass show window, and shelving and counters. Good electric sidewalk. Public alley in rear. E. H. J. Ahrens. de 19 tf

FOR RENT—Furnished or unfurnished dwelling on North Third street, near Walnut and Lord agents, insurance and Real Estate, 120 Princess street, phone 761. Also has dwellings in other good locations. de 19 tf

FOR SALE—Beautiful building lots on Market street; also other lots in other good locations. Smith & Lord Agents, 120 Princess street. Phone 761. de 19 tf

"JOHN! Why don't you go to Smith & Lord, 120 Princess street, and buy one of those beautiful building lots they advertise before you have to pay a profit to a quicker purchaser. That's right, ma'am, now is the time to buy." Smith & Lord. Phone 761. de 19 tf

HANOVER B. & L. Association will open its ninth series on January 1st, 1910. Books will be open for two weeks beginning with next Saturday and ending next Saturday, January 31st. Will only sell 500 shares in this series and if you want stock come in early and notify the secretary at Wilber's Real Estate office, No. 207 Princess street and he will be glad to reserve stock for you. No better way to begin the new year. Every dollar saved is a dollar made. John J. Fowler, president; J. W. Yates, vice president; C. D. Weeks, attorney; H. F. Wilder, secretary and treasurer. de 19 tf

OUR FRIENDS who wish to buy our fruits will please send in all orders by Tuesday evening. The Hicks Company, 311 North Front street. de 19 tf

GIVE US YOUR ORDERS for your Christmas turkey, geese, chickens and eggs. We will have them arriving every day this week. C. D. Gilbert & Co., 212 Market street. de 19 tf

SHIP ME your eggs, poultry, hams, hides, beeswax and any kind of produce. Will pay highest market prices and make prompt returns. N. C. Hinkins a specialty. E. B. Beloit, 16 North Second street. Phone 1076. de 12 tf

WANTED—The shaving public to know that we now have six white barbers at "The Orion" Sanitary Shop. We beg for a trial; it will be up to you to hold your trade. de 24 tf

KEEP YOUR EYE on our show case. The display will be changed frequently. Every time we change it will be better. The Gen. Studio, Polts & Kendrick, 114 Market street. de 27 tf

HEADQUARTERS FOR FIREWORKS—Let us have your orders, wholesale and retail. One car load must be sold. Prices very low. Parties' Bakers. de 3 tf

PHOTOGRAPHS—Enlargements, copying, framing, viewing and fine photographic work of every description. At the U. C. Ellis Studio. de 19 tf

NOTICE TO HOLIDAY SHOPPERS—I have just received the most complete stock of electric and gas portable and artistic chandeliers ever shown in Wilmington. Prices range from \$3.00 to \$50.00. I also have a complete line of electric novelties to select from. Do not make your purchase until you have looked over my stock. Store open until 10 P. M. through the holidays. J. O. Brock, 123 Market street, phone 573. de 15 tf

FOR SALE—National Cash Register; practically new; price low. Address Cash, care Star. de 15 tf

QUAL ON TOAST, Lynnhaven Bay Oysters and all other delicacies of the season with the usual substantial that go to make up a first class bill on fare at any rate. The Junction Restaurant. "Just at the Corner" convenient to all trains, suburban line, etc. Open day and night. Sundays too. de 25 tf

SULTANA OLIVE OIL—Mr. Vattini, the Sultana agent here, has arranged to have this oil distributed in the future by Hall's drug store, Fifth and Chestnut. Plats 50c. Quarts \$1.00. Phone orders filled promptly. de 4 tf

FOR SALE—One upright Piano to avoid storage. Price \$80.00 original value \$300.00. Apply at 312 North Fourth street. de 19 tf

FOR SALE—Two full blooded Red Jersey cow pigs, eight months old, price \$30 each. Must be seen to be appreciated. Orion Hotel Farm, Castle Hayne Road. de 15 tf

UNREDEEMED diamonds will be displayed in our jewelry window at Uncle Charles' Pawn Shop, 108 Market street. de 18 tf

SWEET WEST INDIA oranges, the best the earth produces, \$10.00 per thousand, \$1.25 per hundred, at British "scouter" Blanche, lying at Springer Coal Company's wharves, foot of Chesnut street, J. F. Ahrens, master. de 17 tf

WANTED—Five good saw mill men ready to go to work the first Monday morning after Christmas, white or colored. The Coharie Lumber Co., Parkersburg, N. C. de 17 tf

FOR SALE—under foreclosure of mortgage, complete and modern equipped pool parlors, tobacco, cold drink and near beer business, best location in Wilmington. Date of sale December 30th, 1909. Sellers, Loughlin, attorneys. de 17 tf

Masonic Temple, Dec. 21, 1909.

WILMINGTON LODGE, NO. 419, A. F. & A. M.
Regular Communication this (Tuesday) evening at 7:30 o'clock. Visiting brethren cordially invited to attend.
THOS. F. BAGLEY, Secretary.

Good Things To Eat

119 Coxes L. L. Raisins.

61 Boxes Florida Oranges.

66 Bags of C. C. Nuts.

27 Boxes mixed Nuts.

11 Tubs Penny Candy.

27 Boxes Penny Candy.

10 Boxes Penny Stick Candy.

50 Jars Chewing Gum.

41 Boxes Chewing Gum.

211 10-lb Kite Butter.

211 Bags R. P. Seed Oats.

270 Bbl Voigt's Royal Flour.

W. B. Cooper,

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